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Letters

Why would anyone spend $20,000+ a year to get an education from Washington College? It's that personal difference. As the Director of Dining Services at WC for the last 20 years, I've had plenty of opportunity to see why Washington College is so special. Let me share with you just one day.

Friday, December 6, 1996. It was the beginning of a Board of Visitors and Governors weekend, and the last day of classes. The stress of term papers and final exams had placed all of our clients in a very sensitive mood. Likewise, the WCDS staff were under some pressure.

In addition to the luncheon meal for students, the WCDS had prepared and delivered two off-site luncheons for Board committees. Dinner for meal plan students was in the works. A carry-out order for an evening event was prepared and delivered. Likewise, the menu for 130 guests at that evening's Renaissance Dinner was coming together.

These people were working hard—just as I know the rest of the faculty and staff do, and, I assume, just as hard as faculty and staff at other collegiate institutions throughout America work. But, here at WC, there is a difference exemplified by a final example.

One student, during the dinner meal, requested of Patrick Dickerson (WCDS' Associate Supervisor of Meal Plans) "some kind of sauce" for her chargrilled swordfish. It is not unusual for students to request food items. That's our business. In fact, the WCDS guarantees that, if a meal plan student does not want to eat any of the entrees offered, the WCDS will prepare a special entree.

When Patrick shared the request with the kitchen staff—the same staff that had prepared or was in the process of preparing all the food for the events described—the response was: "Sure! We can prepare a sauce for her!" And, in very short order, Mark Troyer and Wayne Nagy (Assistant Cooks) had whipped up a béarnaise sauce for one.

Can this "extra kindness" happen at another school? I am sure that it can. Does it happen? I don't know.

What I do know is that the employees of the WCDS are very special people who daily provide this personal difference. I have seen it over the years from my employees; I have experienced it as the parent of two WC students; I hope I have provided it to the customers and guests whom it has been my privilege to serve.

Maybe it's our love of this quiet rural community of Chestertown that brings out the best of our humanity, maybe it's our desire to excel professionally, maybe it's our love of this venerable institution. Regardless, it provides our students—our customers—with that personal difference, that "extra something" that nurtures and guides them on their way.

— Paul D. Knowles, Jr. '72
Director of Dining Services & Summer

In a 1930s decade letter that I wrote for the College's Annual Fund, I called Charlie Berry '36 the quarterback on Washington College's only undefeated football team. That was wrong. Charlie was a great passer, but Gibby Young '39 was the quarterback. Not only was Gibby the quarterback, but he also was a one-man track team and, on a pound-for-pound basis, was probably the greatest athlete the College ever had. My mistake was caused by my failure to remember that Coach Ekaitis ran a single wing attack, not the T-formation that calls for the quarterback to do nearly all the passing. Please excuse me, Gibby. As Honoré said in *Gigi*, that great musical comedy, "Ah yes, I remember it well."

— Phillip J. Wingate '33

Corrections

In the Fall 1996 issue of the Washington College Magazine a headline mistakenly stated "Tapke Donates Shell To Rowing Program." Though the Vespoli single was named in recognition of Professor Tapke's long-time support of rowing, the shell itself was not donated by him.

In the 1995-96 Annual Report, there were several errors in The 1782 Society donor's club listings. Jane Dean should have been included with the William Smith Fellows. Mrs. Rollison H. Baxter and Sally Hopkins were omitted from the Founders Club. Mr. L. Cass Leigh, Jr. '51 should have been listed in the Alonzo G. Decker, Jr. Club. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Vinet should have been listed in the George Washington Club. The Development Office regrets the errors.

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About the Cover: (From left) Professors Colin Dickson, Diane Wright, Dan Premo, Susan Libby, Terry Scout and Rich Gillin move into their new offices in Daly Hall. Photo by Gibson B. Anthony.

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THE REPORTER

Daly Hall Opens Doors, Other Projects In The Works

The long-anticipated Daly Hall — Washington College's new academic building named in honor of Kenneth and Dorothy (Do) Williams Daly '38 — gleamed like a welcoming beacon when students returned to campus for classes in mid-January.

Before the winter break, and right on schedule, workmen had painted, put the finishing touches on classrooms and faculty offices, unpacked and assembled new furniture, scrubbed down the brick facade, removed the construction fence and laid down sod, all in preparation for the opening day of classes. Fourteen faculty assigned to the new office accommodations moved in during early January.

The 12,500 square-foot building adjacent to the Gibson Performing Arts Center had been under construction for one full year. Housing four large classrooms, three seminar rooms and 14 faculty offices, the $2.6 million project was completed by Harper & Sons of Queen Anne, MD. The Dalys provided a $1 million lead gift for the project back in 1992. Other construction funds for Daly Hall were provided by the State of Maryland, Washington College trustees Henry Beck, Christian Havemeyer, and Jack S. Griswold, Dr. Ivon Culver '35, Bernard Hardesty '62, The Clayton Fund of Houston, TX, and the Middendorf Foundation of Baltimore.

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Clockwise, from left: Before classes began, Lenny Lagera '98, Alicia Washburn '97, Pablo Sherwell Cabello '00 and Mari Endo '97 gave an A+ to one of four large classrooms in Daly Hall.

"Washington College is touched by the generosity of the Dalys," notes College President John Toll. "They recognize the importance of education and appreciate the close-knit learning community that Do enjoyed 60 years ago, and that still defines the Washington College experience. The Dalys generously supported the concept of this new academic building because, by mingling faculty offices with classrooms, it presents even more opportunities for student/faculty exchanges."

Mrs. Daly was a history major at Washington College. After marrying, she stayed at home to raise her two children. Mr. Daly was President and Director of Nordson Corporation, an Ohio-based manufacturer of industrial projects. Now in retirement, the Dalys divide their time between homes in Vero Beach, FL and Pinehurst, NC.

A dedication ceremony for Daly Hall is set for April 26.

Now that Daly Hall is completed, the College is turning its attention to the renovation of its historic classroom building, William Smith Hall. The College expects to begin renovations this summer. Project costs are estimated at $2.8 million, of which $1.7 remains to be raised.

The Booth Ferris Foundation of New York recently committed $100,000 to help support renovation costs. Other major corporate and foundation grants for William Smith Hall renovations have been received from the George I. Alden Trust; the William G. Baker, Jr. Memorial Fund; Fleetwood, Athey, Macbeth & McCown; the Jacob and Annita France Foundation; the Robert G. and Anne M. Merrick Foundation; and NationsBank. Washington Col-

lege trustees Barbara Cromwell '55, Kevin O'Keefe '74, and Dietrich Steffens '43, as well as Robert Thawley '43, have also made significant contributions to the project.

The renovation will preserve the essential character of the building that has been the cornerstone of learning for Washington College students for the past eight decades, while providing a modern learning environment. The renovated William Smith Hall will house a computer center, computer classroom, faculty offices, and classrooms with multimedia display systems. The 200-seat Norman James Theater also will be refurbished.

In addition to structural renovations, the building also will benefit from mechanical upgrades to provide sufficient electrical power and access to the campus communications network; modern heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems; and access for physically challenged students, teachers, and visitors.

Another contruction project — for a new residence hall tentatively called Harford Hall —— is already underway. Keeping pace with a growing enrollment, Washington College started construction of the residence hall in October. The 22,000 square foot building, designed by the architectural firm of Ayers Saint Gross, will provide housing for 92 students and is expected to be ready for occupancy in August.

"Washington College has a distinguished history as a residential college," President Toll said. "The construction of this hall ensures that we can continue to make residential life an integral part of our students' educational experience. Most of the new hall will consist of suites, each housing seven students in three single rooms, two double rooms, a common room and two bathrooms. As in all other student residence halls, every room is connected to the campus computer network and the Internet. We believe the design will be especially appreciated for the way it supports our academic program."

Currently 80 percent of Washington College's approximately 1,000 students reside on campus in one of 15 residence halls. College officials expect enrollment growth to 1,100 students by fall of 1999 to create a demand for some 200 additional beds.

The new residence hall is located at the northern end of campus near the Cardinal Residences. The building will be brick veneer with masonry interior walls and a hipped metal roof.

According to Louis Stettler, Washington College's Senior Vice President for Finance and Managment, construction costs will be debt-financed with an expectation that the building will pay for itself in room fees.

The Hodson Trust Awards Record $2.5 Million For Scholarships

The Hodson Trust, established more than 75 years ago to support higher education in Maryland, has awarded $2,584,000 to Washington College, almost doubling last year's grant. All of the money will be used to support scholarship programs.

Washington College was one of four private colleges in Maryland to receive Hodson Trust funds totalling nearly $8.9 million.

"The Hodson Trust was established to support excellence in education and helps create opportunities for the leaders of tomorrow. Its commitment to higher learning, and the commitment of the educational institutions it supports, can only be measured by the many successes of the students who benefit," said Finn M. W. Caspersen, chairman of The Hodson Trust and chairman and chief executive officer of Beneficial Corporation of Wilmington, DE.

The Hodson Trust was established in 1920 by the family of Beneficial founder Col. Clarence Hodson and benefits Hood College, St. John's College, Washington College and The Johns Hopkins University.

The private trust holds Beneficial Corporation stock as an investment, and uses the earnings from that stock and other investments to fund educational programs.

"The substantial increase in funding allows many more students to benefit from the educational opportunities afforded to them," said Caspersen. "The Hodson Trust is honored to help broaden the horizons of these fine students as they begin their journey toward successful careers."

College President John S. Toll said in accepting the award: "For many years, The Hodson Trust has been the single most important supporter of Washington College, Maryland's first chartered college.

"All of this year's funds support scholarships," Toll noted, "thereby permitting Washington College to continue accepting a diverse mixture of especially able students. The bulk of the funds will be invested as endow-

PHOTO: BOB STOCKFIELD

At a celebratory luncheon in December, President Toll accepts the record gift from Finn M. W. Caspersen (right), chairman of The Hodson Trust and chairman and chief executive officer of Beneficial Corporation of Wilmington, DE.

ment in the Hodson Scholarship Foundation, thus creating additional Hodson Scholarships that will continue indefinitely, assuring that capable students will always be able to receive the special benefits of a Washington College education."

Washington College Dedicates W.M. Keck Laboratory

This fall, Washington College dedicated the $178,000 W.M. Keck Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Laboratory in the Dunning-Decker Science Center. Capping Science and Mathematics Information Day for prospective students and their parents, the dedication of the W.M. Keck Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Laboratory represents a tremendous step forward for the sciences at Washington College. The Keck Laboratory was funded with grants totaling $178,000 from The W. M. Keck Foundation of Los Angeles, California, and the National Science Foundation. The W. M. Keck Foundation awarded $90,000, which was matched dollar-for-dollar by the National Science Foundation Instrumentation and Laboratory Improvement (ILI) program.

"I am exceedingly proud that Washington College has received support from such prestigious sources for this important piece of scientific instrumentation," President John S. Toll said at the dedication. "We are one of the few small liberal arts colleges in the nation where students will be able to learn to use a nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometer of this quality. It will help them tremendously in preparing for medical and graduate school, as well as careers in industrial and governmental laboratories. The Keck Foundation is nationally recognized for its support for scientific excellence, and we are thrilled that for the first time in our history, they have smiled on Washington College."

The nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometer is central to Washington College's effort to reorganize core course materials in chemistry and correlate them with discovery-based laboratory experiences, and to its new environmental studies major. Washington College intends to use the nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectrometer as a teaching tool within new course structures in the chemistry department, allowing students hands-on experience in analyzing chemical compounds at the molecular level. This new teaching approach will reinforce student understanding of molecular structure and its relationship to chemical activity, using experimental struc-

PHOTO: GIBSON ANTHONY

Joining President Toll (center, left) for the dedication of the W.M. Keck Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Laboratory were (from left) former chairman of the Board of Washington College and retired vice president of the DuPont Company Phillip J. Wingate '33, Professors Frank Creegan and Rosette Roat of the chemistry department, and chemistry majors Amy Harmon '97 and John Weaver '97.

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WC Honors Russell Train At Convocation

Marking the advent of the environmental studies major at WC, one of America's preeminent environmentalists was guest of honor at Fall Convocation. Russell E. Train, chairman emeritus of the World Wildlife Fund whose international conservation efforts earned him in 1991 the Presidential Medal of Freedom, delivered the convocation address and received the honorary Doctor of Public Service degree. As the first chairman of the Council for Environmental Quality and Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (established under President Richard Nixon), Train was responsible for establishing federal environmental policy.

tural analyses made possible through the use of high-field NMR. The spectrometer will be used in faculty-student collaborative research during the academic year in junior level independent research projects and in the senior thesis laboratory research program. The instrument will be heavily involved in the continuing ten-week summer research program at Washington College.

Extensive hands-on classroom experience with the NMR spectrometer will not only prepare science majors to participate in academic year and summer research experiences, but also give them the credentials necessary for successful entry into graduate and professional schools, professional work in other scientific fields, for teaching at the secondary school level, and for work in industrial or government laboratory settings.

The new instrumentation is located in the W. M. Keck Magnetic Resonance Laboratory suite within the Dunning-Decker Science Center. Other grants to support the sciences at Washington College recently have come from the Jessie Ball duPont Fund, the Research Corporation, the Petroleum Research Fund of the American Chemical Society, an anonymous foundation, and the Baltimore Gas & Electric Company.

Michael Bloomberg Brings Job Tips To WC Students

Michael Bloomberg, a financial media tycoon best known for his "Bloomberg" machine that provides computerized financial news and analysis to security traders around the world, touched down by helicopter on the Washington College campus, landing in front of Bunting Hall in mid-October. Here to give the annual J. C. Jones Lecture in American Business, the president of Bloomberg Financial Markets told students to be aggressive and persistent in going after the perfect job. Among other suggested tactics, was phoning perspective employers at 7 a.m. "to avoid bureacratic walls."

Bloomberg also reassured members of the audience who might be unfamiliar with the high-tech realm of cyberspace that the technology will eventually adapt to them rather than vice versa. Bloomberg's forecast for the Internet envisions the entire system collapsing under its own weight. He predicts restricted-access Intranets will become the business medium of the future.

PHOTO: GIBSON ANTHONY

At a 1782 Society reception following his remarks, Michael Bloomberg (foreground) joins President Toll (center) and WC Trustee Jay Griswold (background).

Washington College Trustee Named Businessman of the Century

The Baltimore County Chamber of Commerce recently named a senior member of the Washington College Board of Visitors and Governors Businessman of the Century. Alonzo G. Decker, Jr., the retired chief executive officer of the Black & Decker Corporation, was inducted into the Baltimore County Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame for pioneering the shift of Black & Decker from heavy-duty industrial tools to a line of power tools geared toward the consumer. This idea spawned the nation's do-it-yourself market and revolutionized the way people lived and worked. In the ten years Mr. Decker served as CEO, Black & Decker experienced its greatest growth.

Alonzo G. Decker, Jr. pioneered the "Do-It-Yourself" movement.

Mr. Decker is a hero at Washington College as well, having served as a College Trustee for the past 13 years. Under the Cater administration in the 1980s, he successfully led, with Trustee Emeritus W. James Price, fundraising efforts for the College's $43.7 million Campaign for Excellence and spearheaded the drive for the Alonzo G. Decker, Jr. Laboratory Center. Since then, Al Decker has continued to play a leading role in raising funds for new scholarships and other college initiatives.

New York Couple Donates Rare Book

Thomas Jefferson's *Notes on the State of Virginia* Appraised at $25,000

For William Tubbs, librarian of Miller Library, it was like discovering a diamond in a coal mine, or finding an antique English sterling silver tea set in an odd-lot box at the local auction.

When a rare edition of Thomas Jefferson's *Notes on the State of Virginia* turned up in a box of old books donated to Miller Library by a New York couple, Tubbs wasn't certain at first that he held one of the great treasures of Americana, but he knew he had a good thing. The book has since been

appraised at $25,000. And it all came about through luck and happenstance.

Joseph C. and Katherine Van Cortlandt Wilberding of Mt. Kisco, NY, happened to visit Chestertown and stayed at The Parker House, a bed-and-breakfast owned by John and Marcy Parker. John Parker, an alumnus of Washington College, is one of the College's greatest cheerleaders and was instrumental in establishing the Friends of Miller Library. The Wilberdings happened to read the Friends newsletter describing John Danz's gift of a first edition book by Oliver Wendell Holmes, and they decided to make a gift of their own old books.

Among them was a slim quarto written by Thomas Jefferson, and including a colored map.

"I once had borrowed a copy of this volume for an exhibit," says Tubbs, "so I knew we had something reasonably good. After talking with John Danz, a member of Friends of Miller Library who collects rare books, I realized we had something fantastic."

This was the single book Thomas Jefferson published in his lifetime, one of the most important works of American scientific and political thought of the 18th century. Jefferson's *Notes on the State of Virginia* is a comprehensive study of Virginia — from its flora and fauna to its civil law.

Teaching Excellence

by Lenny Lagera '98

As public school systems struggle to educate students properly, there's one, at least—Sudbrook Middle School in Baltimore County, MD—that's getting it right. Its principal is Donna Gray Flynn '70.

Sudbrook Middle School takes an innovative approach to schooling, attracting applicants from the western half of Baltimore County with its challenging curriculum and intensive educational atmosphere. As a magnet school, it requires its applicants to write an essay and to go through an interview process. The top ten percent of all applicants are accepted and then all other applicants are placed in a lottery.

Sudbrook is unique because of its intensive style of learning, says Flynn. The school day comprises four 90-minute periods. There is no formal physical education requirement and the middle schoolers can choose from five different concentrations: computer applications in math and science, performing arts, visual arts, Japanese and Spanish.

The initial task of creating and promoting this curriculum fell to Donna Flynn, who had experience both as a teacher and an administrator. As a teacher in Baltimore County schools, she had worked with Nancy Grasmick, the State Superintendent of Schools who was then Baltimore County's Associate Superintendent of Schools. Flynn was principal at Arbutus Middle School before she was asked to lead the charge for Sudbrook Magnet Middle School three years ago.

She had to plan the curriculum, hire a staff, supervise the renovation of the school building, and, above all, make sure there was student interest. She spent the entire year before the school opened visiting community fairs, local PTAs, and other community groups to discuss the concept.

"It was an educator's dream to put together," said Flynn, "but I knew when I started the process there had to

Donna Gray Flynn '70

be an interest level, there was a lot of innovation that people had to buy into." Her canvassing paid off in the form of more than 1, 300 applicants in the first year.

"The program is designed to emphasize depth rather than breadth," stated Flynn. "The value of this approach is something everyone from Washington College should recognize."

The results have been dramatic. Sudbrook recently has been named the most improved middle school in the county and the school posted Maryland's second highest cumulative MSPAP scores, tests that determine state standards in education. Flynn points out that there is a high minority population in the school (40% of the students are African-American) and the achievement scores of these students are considerably higher than the national average.

Even though Flynn has taken up the administrative reins as the principal at Sudbrook, she still finds time to teach. Every year, for two weeks, she oversees a seminar course for all eighth graders called "Facing History and Ourselves." It is a seminar course designed to use the Holocaust as a case study to teach human rights and how it applies to lives of the students. "It is good to develop the whole child," remarks Flynn. "It is important not to forget that the development of their character is just as important as their academic development."

Flynn also takes pride in the fact that she gets to teach the young teachers at Sudbrook. Flynn takes a hands-on, mentoring, approach with her teachers since most of them are first- or second-year educators. "One of the most satisfactory things about the last record of test results is that we had the largest number of non-tenured teachers," beams Flynn.

When not playing the role of an educator, Flynn relaxes at home with her husband, Joe, who also graduated from Washington College in 1970. They have two children, Elissa and Gregory. Elissa, 28, recently married. Gregory, 13, will be part of the first graduating class that completed all three years at Sudbrook Magnet Middle School.

"There is a commitment to intensity in study [at Sudbrook]," says Flynn. "The students do give things up, but there is a lot more choice because there is very little the students are required to take," adds Flynn. "We want students to shape their education."

"This is probably one of the most important books, if not the most important book, that was ever produced by an American in the scientific era," says Danz. "It put Jefferson on the map in Europe as a noted scientist and gave him world-wide distinction. He approached observing and describing the New World as a scientist, accurately and rationally."

The book had been passed down on her side of the family, the Van Cortlandts, Mrs. Wilberding said.

"We found it in my father's attic, among a lot of other old books that came from Judge Chambers' law library. We're happy that we've found a home for these books where they can be properly stored and cared for," she says.

Among the other books the Wilberdings donated are the *Works of Byron* (1825), the *Complete Works of William Thackeray* and a large volume of *The Federalist* (1864). Jefferson's *Notes on the State of Virginia* is considered the rarest and most valuable.

According to Danz, three editions of this book were published — in Philadelphia, Baltimore and London; only the London edition included the map, which was based on the definitive map of Virginia created by Thomas Jefferson's father, Peter Jefferson, and Joshua Fry.

"There were three classic maps produced prior to 1800," says Danz, "John Smith's map of Virgina, Augustine Herman's map of Maryland, and the Fry/Jefferson map. This latter map was the first to be done scientifically and thus it was important cartographically. So what you have here is a tremendous find — one of the greatest maps ever produced, one of the greatest books ever written, together in a single volume. The map may be even more valuable than the book itself."

Jefferson's skills in surveying and cartography were well-known by his contemporaries. As president, he began organizing expeditions to explore and accurately survey the land west of the Mississippi. During his tenure, he also established the United States Public Land Survey.

Anyone interested in making tax-deductible donations of books or other old treasures to Washington College may contact Martin Williams, Vice President for Development and Alumni Affairs, at 1-800-422-1782, ext. 7801.

Ellen A. Wise

Natalie Guiberson '94

Two Join Development Staff

Two new development officers have joined the staff of Washington College.

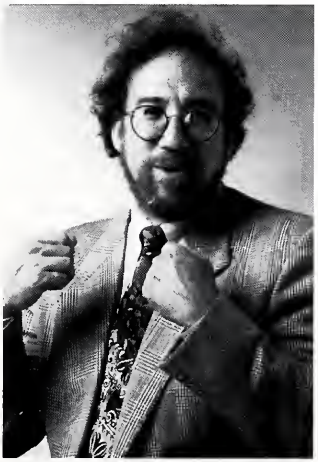
Ellen A. Wise, formerly Director of Development at The Country School in Easton, MD, was named Director of Development Programs. During her tenure at The Country School, the independent day school successfully completed a $1.2 million fundraising campaign for building endowment and academic improvements.

Wise assumes several responsibilities, including management of the College's Annual Fund, donor recognition programs such as The 1782 Society and the Dean's Club, information systems and stewardship.

A graduate of Virginia Commonwealth University with a BFA in fine art and art history, she has experience in both development and marketing.

Also joining the development team is Natalie Guiberson '94, formerly Acting Executive Director of the Cecil County Arts Council. As Assistant Director of Development she is responsible for the College's phonathon, direct mail campaign, community campaign, reunion giving and class agent giving programs.

As an undergraduate, Guiberson was president of her sorority, Zeta Tau Alpha, and edited WAC Happenings, the College's electronic newspaper. She served on a number of volunteer student organizations and participated in the College's student phonathon.



Richard Ben Cramer Speaks On Candidates, Character, And The Press

Richard Ben Cramer, a leading political newsman and Pulitzer Prize-winning author, was the guest speaker during Fall Family Day. Mr. Cramer, who analyzed the presidential election process in print and broadcast forums throughout the race, authored Bob Dole, *a biography. Before a crowd of parents, students, and college officials, Mr. Cramer said because the media focuses so narrowly on one or two "stories," it is difficult for the American public to understand the true character of presidential candidates. Cramer shared humor and insight with a packed crowd in Hynson Lounge.*

PHOTO: GIBSON ANTHONY

Awantang Is All-Around "Positive Performer"

by Sarah Feyerherm

Sometimes he seems to come out of nowhere. Just when an opposing player sees some daylight and releases the basketball for an expected two points, Mark Awantang '97 explodes into the air and swats the ball away. He did that 77 times last season, enough to rank him fifth in the nation in Division III in blocked shots per game, and set a new Washington College standard for blocks in a career. On the other end of the court, his powerful dunks are enough to fuel the emotion of his teammates and the fans, and last year he was honored as the team's Most Valuable Player.

A natural athlete but an inexperienced basketball player when he arrived on campus in the fall of '93, Awantang has utilized an exceptional work ethic and a unique ability to focus on the task at hand to churn out a successful career on the court and in the classroom. In addition to his 11.7 points per game and team-leading 9.1 rebounds per contest last year, Mark has fashioned a 3.3 GPA as a premedical student.

But his contributions extend beyond the classroom and the basketball court and have recently earned him a profile on the *USA Today* website where he was recognized as a "Positive Performer," a student-athlete "who makes a positive difference by overcoming obstacles, aiding society, and challenging stereotypes on and off campus."

Off campus, Awantang tutors at-risk students in Chestertown. His basketball skills, admittedly, draw the interest of the kids he tutors, but it is his versatility as a successful student-athlete and community member that makes him valuable to these adolescents who struggle to find positive role models. In the process he is trying to open to them a world he has been lucky enough to see first-hand.

"I want to try to instill dreams and have them think of their future, instead of waking up one day and feeling that their life is a socio-economic trap," says the well-traveled Awantang, whose father is the head of the U.S. Agency for International Development in Nigeria and whose mother is a medical technologist for the State Department.

Awantang was born in Cameroon, his father's native country, and has lived in Liberia, Zaire, Egypt, and Nigeria, as well as the United States. He spent last summer in Paris where he interned at a cancer research laboratory. Last year, he was recognized with a Black Issues in Higher Education Arthur Ashe Jr. Sports Scholars Award, which honors minority student-athletes who embody the spirit of the late sports legend.

Awantang plans to pursue a career in medicine, specializing in primary care in developing nations. "I don't think I will get the full feel of serving the unhealthy until I have treated the patients who are in the most need," he reflects.

With an eye on a career that will benefit people all over the world, Awantang has chosen to serve the community of Chestertown and Washington College for his four years here, honing his skills as a caregiver. "The most rewarding thing for me has been to see Mark develop as a person," said head basketball coach Tom Finnegan. "He has become more vocal and interactive every year. This type of environment was perfect for him."

Trouts Serve With Teachers For Africa In Kenya

Former president of Washington College, Dr. Charles H. Trout, and his wife, Katherine, are in Kenya for Academic Year 1996-97 with the Teachers for Africa program, an arm of the International Foundation for Education and Self-Help (IFESH).

IFESH was founded in the late 1980s by the noted civil rights leader, the Rev. Leon Sullivan, whose "Sullivan Principles" guided the investment-in-South Africa policies of numerous colleges and universities throughout the United States. IFESH's efforts in Africa are largely funded by USAID, and in the current year the organization is supplying close to 90 teachers and administrators to Kenya, Ethiopia, Ghana and Angola.

Chuck and Katherine are situated in the town of Litein in western Kenya, the heart of the nation's lush tea country, at an elevation of 6,700 feet. Their affiliation is with the three-year-old Korongoi School, a small primary and secondary institution that serves Kipsigi children from nearby villages.

Located some 10 kilometers from the nearest paved road, the Trouts' cottage, like the school, has neither plumbing nor electricity. E-mail is out of the question, but Chuck and Katherine would be pleased to hear from friends still adept at older technologies. (See box above for the Trouts' address.)

During the year in Kenya, the Trouts are assisting with a development project for women, teaching a variety of subjects, and helping with administrative and fundraising tasks. They report that the needs in rural Kenya are immense, and they pass on greetings to the Washington College family.

Greetings from *Africa*

Dr. and Mrs. Charles H. Trout
c/o DAR, Reuben Sigei, Headmaster
The Korongoi School
P.O. Box 58
Litein, Kenya

On "Missions of Mercy," Mark Murphy, Sharla Ponder and Matt Murray took medicine and hope to the children of San Juan Chemelco in Guatemala.

Three Alumni Participate In "Missions of Mercy"

Three recent Washington College graduates traveled to northern Guatemala last June on a medical mission.

Mark Murphy '96, Sharla Ponder '95 and Matt Murray '95 were part of "Missions of Mercy: Guatemala '96," an annual medical mission trip sponsored by the First Baptist Church of Van Cleave, MS. Mark's father, Dr. John Murphy, has traveled with the group for the past several years. Dr. Murphy is a pediatrician in Cleveland, TN, who grew up in Van Cleave, MS.

The three alumni were among some 40+ volunteer physicians, nurses, dentists, pharmacists and ministers who treated more than 4,000 patients in five days in the towns of San Cristobal and San Juan Chemelco.

Mark, on his fourth trip with Missions of Mercy, worked in the makeshift pharmacy as a pharmacy technician, helping distribute $250,000 worth of drugs and vitamins donated by pharmaceutical companies and purchased by the sponsoring church.

Matt and Sharla were put in charge of the eyeglasses. They set up a makeshift eye clinic, learned enough Spanish to ask, "Can you read this?," and passed out 500 pairs of eyeglasses that had been donated.

"After being in Jakarta, Indonesia, last year, visiting such a rural area was a good experience for me from an educational standpoint," says Matt, who is finishing up his master's degree in public and international affairs at the University of Pittsburgh this spring. "It was also a chance for Sharla and me to have an international experience together and to expand our Christian faith." He and Sharla, who is completing her first year of graduate social work at the University of Maryland at Baltimore, plan to be married in May and are considering mission work at some point in the future.

Senior Goalie Closes Field Hockey Career On High Note

by Kristin A. Callahan '96

Stephanie Self is definitely enjoying her senior year. After spending three years watching her field hockey teammates struggle to win, this veteran goalie helped her fellow Shorewomen earn a berth in the NCAA Division III playoffs against the College of New Jersey (formerly Trenton State) and become only the second women's team in the school's history to qualify for the finals. It has been a spectacular final season for the Pocomoke City, MD native.

After rotating in and out of the goal due to injuries her freshman and sophomore years, Self found her groove and started in the net throughout the season her junior year. This year, she started every game. Playing goal is something she does with pride. "It can be a glorified position when the team is winning, but when the team loses, I take it personally," says Self. If this season's success is any sign of her prowess in goal, she doesn't take the glory for herself. "I always knew the team was good," she says. "I never knew we'd go this far, but then we started winning and we all said, 'We can do this,' and then the next thing we knew, we're in the NCAA playoffs! It's awesome to be able to say my team is 13 and 5."

Field hockey isn't all this psychology major is involved in. The enthusiasm so evident on the playing field also extends to the classroom, the chapter room, and beyond. A consistent Dean's List student and a Centennial Conference Honor Roll player, Self is immersed in several campus activities and organizations. As a student-athlete mentor, she serves her team in more places than just the goal. Her teammates come to her for advice on everything from social life to academic resources. Academically, Self has something to boast about with a 3.3 cumulative GPA. Fittingly, Self is a member of Psi Chi, the national honor society in psychology, and holds the office of President in Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership honor society. She is the president of her sorority, Zeta Tau Alpha,

Stephanie Self '97

undertaking the task of rebuilding the chapter after the loss of 15 seniors last year.

When asked what she'll miss most about WC, field hockey tops her list. "I will miss the players on the team and Sarah Feyerherm. She is an awesome coach who really understands her players and cares about them," she says. "It is going to be hard to let it all go. I guess I am lucky to have enjoyed this, the best season WC field hockey has ever had. I could not have asked for a better way to close my college career."

WC Alumna Wins Rotary International Scholarship

Jennifer Dougherty '95, the Associate Rowing Coach at Washington College, has been awarded a Paul Harris Ambassadorial Scholarship sponsored by Rotary International. The scholarship, worth $22,000, is one of only 50 awarded this year to people around the world.

Dougherty will spend the 1997-98 academic year in Northern Ireland, completing coursework in Peace Studies at the University of Ulster in Londonderry. She also will be visiting various peace organizations around the region.

The former English major has been to Northern Ireland twice before — first as a volunteer and then as a coordinator — working at a reconciliation camp for Catholic and Protestant children in Lurgan, County Armagh through a group called Interchange. Her first trip was sponsored by Washington College's Society of Junior Fellows.

The reconciliation camp runs six separate centers in its summer program — three for Catholic children, one mixed and two for Protestant children. On certain days, the groups come together in a neutral atmosphere for games and other activities.

"The children know that if they don't know someone by sight, they are the 'other,'" says Dougherty. "And some parents won't send their children on days when they are scheduled to mix. But once you get them playing on a creative level, they leave that issue aside. We're not changing attitudes in an afternoon, but it's a start."

Jennifer Dougherty '95

After her year abroad studying conflict resolution and mediation, Dougherty will receive a post-graduate diploma and then pursue either a master's or a doctoral degree in Peace Studies.

Sue Matthews Woos Ireland, Wows Them In New York

Washington College's most renowned songbird, Sue Dunning Matthews '75, sang from one side of the Atlantic to the other this fall.

On the heels of a successful ten-day tour in Ireland as a guest of the Clifden Arts Week Festival with the musical group Guys and Doll, Matthews appeared at the New York Town Hall's seventh annual cabaret convention.

Matthews, a jazz recording artist with two CDs to her credit who is married to WC Athletic Director Bryan Matthews '75 and the mother of three boys, won a grant from the Maryland Arts Council for her trip to Ireland, which she describes as one of the most unique experiences of her life.

"The people of Ireland are passionate about their music, and they loved having an overview of American music from the 1900s to today. We did mostly blues, but some jazz too. They opened up their hearts and homes to me and I actually made some very good friends. It was a terrific experience."

The "Guys" performing with Sue Matthews are Bill Matthews '71, Chestertown bassist Tom Anthony, and former Washington College professor of education Tom McHugh.

"The audiences fell in love with our music, especially with Sue Matthews' voice," remarked McHugh. "She knocked them dead. Sometimes she made them cry. It was my best trip ever to Clifden." McHugh has taken various musical groups over the years to Arts Week.

For this festival in late September, more than 200 performers filled the small town of Clifden. Artists included the internationally known group De Danann, poet Paul Curcan, Irish national champion fiddlers, banjoists and accordion players, Less Follies, a French Dixieland band, Sean Nos singers, and others.

"Just imagine a town the size of Rock Hall with every hall, church, pub, bookstore, hotel lobby, filled with audiences listening to music, poetry, watching dance, mime. It was magic," Sue Matthews said of the trip.

Matthews made a smooth transition from the small town of Clifden to the Big Apple, where she performed two jazz standards with Stef Scaggiari on piano. Her versions of Harold Arlen's "Stormy Weather" and "Here's to

"Guys and Doll" members Sue Matthews '75, Tom McHugh, Bill Matthews '71, and Tom Anthony will play at Reunion '97.

Feiner Reaches For The Moon

Dan Feiner '89 may have imbibed the cheap stuff in college, but now he devotes himself and his growing business to only the finest — fresh hand-crafted beer served with creative contemporary cuisine.

The "Brew Moon" is a far cry from your typical dark smoky pub, Feiner says. The brews — with sultry names like Moonlight, Orion and Eclipse Extra Stout — are served in a lunar-landscape of curves and purplish pastels. As servers place before each customer a menu offering such imaginative fare as spiced bronzed swordfish, cumin pork tenderloin on garlic mashed potatoes, and grilled three-cheese pizza with portabella mushrooms, this restaurant/microbrewery reaches for an out-of-this-world dining experience.

It's one that beamed down first, in December 1994, in Boston's theater district, then in Saugus, and in Harvard Square, all within the past three years. And if all goes according to plan and you live on the East Coast between Boston and Washington, DC, a "Brew Moon" soon may be shining down in a neighborhood near you.

Judging from the "Brew Moon" concept and its execution, Feiner, a political science major in college, could just as well have majored in creative writing. Or drama. Or, more likely, business management.

Feiner attributes his early success to a sound business plan and some sage parental advice. His father, the founder of Boston Chicken (now Boston Markets), encouraged Dan and his brother to build a talented management team, to hire the best people in the industry, and to offer them a piece of the pie. Or, as it were, to reach for the moon.

"Our goal is to be the best restaurant/microbrewery in the country," says Feiner. "We're doing that by hiring management teams who are owners in the company. When you teach managers to be entrepreneurs and make them accountable, and give them the opportunity to make money, they'll act like owners. They'll want the company to succeed."

This philosophy extends to the wait staff as well. The "Brew Moon," a privately held corporation that Feiner expects will open 12 stores and will go public by the year 2000, offers a stock option program to its hourly staff.

The Brew Moon management team includes professionals who are passionate about their jobs, says Feiner, from the vice president of culinary operations to the sous chefs, from the vice president of operations to the brew master.

"We may make food and beer, but we're in the entertainment industry," says Feiner. "The Brew Moon is whimsical and funky. The food and beer are first rate. It's a fun place to be. And though each of the stores resemble one another, we add elements from each community into the frieze decor. People can really feel at home at the Brew Moon."

Dan Feiner '89 (third from left) with the senior management team of the Brew Moon. The brewpub was voted "Best of Boston 1996" and was among Bon Appetit*'s top new restaurants.*

Life" by Artie Butler and Phyllis Molinary made a huge impression with the *Metro Beat* music reviewer.

"There were eight concerts throughout the week of the cabaret convention, each of which showcased 13 or 14 performers," Matthews explains. "I was the only jazz performer on that Saturday evening, which featured a surprise performance by Michael Feinstein. After the performance, I met the reviewer in the lobby and he told me how much he enjoyed my bit. In his review of the convention, with a paragraph of each evening's concert, he mentioned me in the same sentence with Michael Feinstein! He wrote that I 'held the audience in my thrall.'"

Matthews, who is looking for an agent to represent her in New York, will perform with Stef Scaggiari and Keter Betts this spring at Avalon Theater in Easton, MD. In addition to a Radio Days appearance in April, Matthews is also doing a benefit concert for the Benedictine School at the Avalon on April 25th, and will appear there again on June 7th. For ticket information, call for Avalon Theater at 410-822-0345.

Summer Institute Returns This June

Washington College is breathing new life into the Summer Institute, an elderhostel-like program whose flame burned brightly, then died out, nearly a decade ago.

Ann Wilmer Hoon returns as Summer Institute Director, with the assistance of Mackey Metcalfe Dutton '51, Associate Director of Alumni Affairs. Paul D. Knowles, Jr. '70, Director of Dining Services and Summer Conferences, will see to the creature comforts of Summer Institute guests.

In its reincarnation, the Summer Institute focuses on the history of Colonial Maryland through lectures, literature, music, and tours of area homes, churches, and waterways. A highlight of the four-day residential program, which runs from June 8-12, is an historic cruise of the Chespeake and Delaware Canal aboard the *Lady Baltimore* with an on-board lecture.

Several Washington College faculty are participating as lecturers and the Washington College Dining Services promises to deliver its typically fabulous fare, says Hoon.

"Washington College offers its alumni many social activities, but few opportunities to experience once again the pleasures of learning among peers," she says. We think we've come up with a format that takes advantage of the College's unique location and resources and provides just the right balance of academic and social pursuits."

IN MEMORIAM

Abraham D. Spinak

1925 - 1997

Abraham D. Spinak, Director of the Engineering Program at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore (UMES) and Trustee Emeritus of Washington College, died January 7, 1997. He was 71. The Pocomoke City, MD, resident was first appointed to the Board of Visitors and Governors in 1968, serving for a time as Chair of Academic Affairs. Only Board Chairman Louis L. Goldstein and Alexander "Sandy" Jones have served on the Board longer.

"Washington College was fortunate to enjoy a long and especially close relationship with this distinguished engineer and academician," said College President John Toll. "Abe Spinak served as the guiding force for academic policy during most of his 28 years of service on the Board. He had a unique ability to relate academic programs to industrial and societal needs. Though he will be greatly missed, we will long remember his vision and spirit."

Spinak was in the U.S. Army from 1943-45 and earned a degree in mechanical engineering from Clarkson College of Technology in 1948. An aeronautical engineer, he spent 33 years with what is now the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). He served as aeronautical research engineer at the Langley Research Center and as chief of engineering, associate director, and acting director at Wallops Flight Center.

After retiring from NASA in 1981, he organized the engineering program at UMES and led the establishment of the Airway Science program there, the only four-year curriculum of its kind in Maryland.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth, and three children.

Thetas Honored At National Convention

Washington College's Theta Chi, Beta Eta Chapter, won four awards at the fraternity's national convention in Orlando, FL. The Thetas, who hold the Interfraternity Council (IFC) Banner and the Interfraternity Loving Cup for the highest grade point average on campus, were cited for Chapter Excellence in scholarship programming, finance, campus involvement, and community service/philanthropy.

Most recently, the Thetas completed three community service projects: an Adopt-A-Road program, assisting with the Haunted Crack House project, and helping disabled children learn to swim during the Special Olympics.

At the convention, Junior Tyler Benedum, chapter vice president, was runner-up for the Shug Jordan Award in recognition of his scholar/athlete achievements. A chemistry major and dean's list student, Benedum is captain of the rowing team, serves as vice president of the Interfraternity Council and is a Student Athlete Mentor.

Among those accepting honors at the Theta Chi national convention was WC's Tyler Benedum '98 (far right).

It's A Brave New World In Vietnam

by Richard Harwood

Thirty years after I left Vietnam at the end of a newspaper assignment, I returned to a new world. The war is ancient history. A powerful smell of money, opportunity and enterprise is in the air.

Office buildings and luxury hotels are rising in the cities, meccas for deal-makers from around the world. Foreign investors are building factories, assembly plants and service companies, gaining effective control of other sectors of the economy through joint operating agreements with local businessmen and government agencies. The dollar is indisputably the king of currencies, English is the second language of choice, and tourism is but one of the pillars of a new modern industrial state.

This is all part of Vietnam's economic "renovation." The theory is that a market economy driven by the profit motive will bring to the proletariat all the material fruits of capitalism without its unattractive features and without "peaceful evolution" to a democratic political system.

It is a risky experiment, as the Vietnamese government is well aware. The flow of foreign capital and goods into the country brings with it a flow of ideas subversive to the old culture. Do Muoi, the Party's 79-year-old leader and general secretary, promised to continue the move toward a market economy in order to "successfully implement the industrialization and modernization program, make our people rich, our country powerful, our society equitable and civilized, and socialist construction a success."

But renovation, he said, is full of cultural perils: "Waste is still widely exercised in both production and consumption. The rich-poor gap continues to grow and social vices run rampant. Saigon is also a location that hostile forces consider a central stage for their 'peaceful evolution' maneuver, where they will try to stir up political instability, carry out economic sabotage activities, cause pollution in cultural and social aspects and overthrow the [Communist] regime that our people built up after unmeasurable sacrifices of our own flesh and bone."

For all these fears and misgivings, the social, cultural and economic "renovation" of Vietnam rolls on and the influences of capitalism quicken. A dual school system, with private schools for those who can pay, is emerging. There is talk of privatizing the health care system and of offering special incentives to medical school graduates reluctant to leave the comforts of Hanoi and Saigon for primitive existence among poor hill tribesmen and rural villagers.

Under Vietnam's economic renovation, rural scenes such as this are giving way to luxury resort hotels and factories.

As in the United States, education and money are becoming defining factors in the class structure of the nation and even within the Communist Party, where an educational elite has risen to power. Whether these younger, better educated members will be more amenable than their elders to Western influences is uncertain. What we know about them is that they have grown up in a different world than their fathers and grandfathers knew. They did not experience the war. They have tasted Baskin Robbins ice cream and Kentucky Fried Chicken. They dance in the disco clubs of Hanoi and Saigon, and aspire to own BMWs and memberships to 18-hole golf courses. Consumerism, not war or sacrifice, is the order of the day.

Keith Richburg, the *Washington Post*'s correspondent in this region, refers to them as the "peace generation," the 65 percent of the population younger than 25. "For them," he wrote, "the United States is known more as the source of the best rock music and soft drinks than for bombing raids and 'strategic hamlets.'"

The materialism that capitalism represents and is exporting to Vietnam does not sit well with everyone. Hanoi's intellectuals are ambivalent about the cultural invasion of the West, America in particular. They are drawn to American war movies — *Platoon*, *Full Metal Jacket*, *The Deer Hunter* and *Gone with the Wind*. Madonna, Elvis, and Michael Jackson have many admirers. But this fascination is tempered with fear. One cultural critic speculated about a "third war of resistance against the materialist way of life. Without pistols, it will be more complicated ... you cannot reject American culture. But you have to ask what is good and what is bad [in it] ... The Vietnamese must not be like a moth diving into the flame of the American lamp."

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Washington College Spring 1997 Sports Schedule

Baseball

Saturday, March 1	HOME
Juniata (scrimmage)	Time TBA
Saturday, March 2	HOME
Juniata (scrimmage)	Time TBA
March 7-15 Florida Trip	Info TBA
Saturday, March 22	HOME
Johnson & Wales (2)	1:00
Tuesday, March 25	HOME
Linclon U. (2)	1:00
Saturday, March 29	HOME
Ursinus* (2)	1:00
Tuesday, April 1	HOME
Swarthmore*	3:00
Friday, April 4	AWAY@
Swarthmore*	3:00
Saturday, April 5	HOME
F & M* (2)	1:00
Tuesday, April 8	HOME
Western Maryland*	3:00
Friday, April 11	AWAY@
Western Maryland*	3:00
Saturday, April 12	HOME
Muhlenberg* (2)	1:00
Tuesday, April 15	HOME
Haverford*	3:00
Friday, April 18	AWAY@
Haverford*	3:00
Saturday, April 19	AWAY@
Dickinson*(2)	1:00
Sunday, April 20	HOME
Neuman (2)	1:00
Tuesday, April 22	AWAY@
Johns Hopkins*	3:00
Friday, April 25	HOME
Johns Hopkins*	3:00
Saturday, April 26	AWAY@
Gettysburg* (2)	3:00
Tuesday, April 29	AWAY@
Wesley (2)	4:00

Wednesday, April 30	HOME
Gallaudet (2)	2:00

Softball

Wednesday, March 5	AWAY@
Goldey-Beacom (scrim)	2:30
March 8-15	AWAY@ FL
Coast Spring Softball	TBA
Wednesday, March 19	AWAY@
Chesapeake CC (scrim)	2:30
Saturday, March 22	HOME
Johnson-Wales	1:00
Tuesday, March 25	HOME
Swarthmore*	3:00
Friday, March 28	AWAY@
Muhlenberg*	1:00
Monday, March 31	AWAY@
Widener	2:00
Thursday, April 3	HOME
Gettysburg*	3:00
Saturday, April 5	AWAY@
Western Maryland*	1:00
Tuesday, April 8	HOME
Ursinus*	3:00
Thursday, April 10	AWAY@
Gallaudet	3:00
Saturday, April 12	AWAY@
Dickinson*	1:00
Monday, April 14	HOME
Wesley	3:00
Wednesday, April 16	AWAY@
Haverford*	3:00
Saturday, April 19	HOME
Franklin & Marshall*	1:00
Tuesday, April 22	HOME
Salisbury State	3:00

All games are doubleheaders

Men's Lacrosse

Saturday, Feb. 8	AWAY@
UMBC (Scrimmage)	1:00
Wednesday, Feb. 26	AWAY@
Navy	7:30
Wednesday, March 5	AWAY@
Johns Hopkins	7:00
Wednesday, March 12	AWAY@
Wesley	3:30
Sunday, March 16	AWAY@
Denison	12:00
Saturday, March 22	HOME
Roanoke	1:30
Thursday, March 27	AWAY@
St. Mary's	4:00
Saturday, March 29	HOME
Dickinson*	1:00
Saturday, April 5	AWAY@
Franklin &Marshall*	1:30
Wednesday, April 9	HOME
Haverford*	4:00
Saturday, April 12	AWAY@
Gettysburg*	1:30
Wednesday, April 16	HOME
Swarthmore*	4:00
Saturday, April 19	AWAY@
Salisbury State	1:30
Saturday, April 26	HOME
Lynchburg	1:30
Saturday, May 3	AWAY@
Western Maryland*	1:30
Sunday, May 11	
NCAA Div. III Quarter Finals	
Sunday, May 18	
NCAA Div. III Semi-Finals	
Sunday, May 25	
NCAA Div. III Championship	

Women's Lacrosse

Thursday, March 20	HOME
Notre Dame	4:00
Saturday, March 22	AWAY@
Gettysburg*	1:00
Tuesday, March 25	AWAY@
Swarthmore*	4:00
Thursday, March 27	HOME
Franklin & Marshall*	4:00
Tuesday, April 1	AWAY@
Western Maryland*	3:00
Saturday, April 5	AWAY@
St. Mary's	1:00
Tuesday, April 8	AWAY@
Haverford*	4:00
Thursday, April 10	HOME
Widener	4:00
Saturday, April 12	HOME
Dickinson*	1:00
Tuesday, April 15	AWAY@
Ursinus*	3:30
Thursday, April 17	AWAY@
Salisbury	4:30
Saturday, April 19	HOME
Drew	2:00
Monday, April 21	AWAY@
Villa Julie	4:00
Thursday, April 24	HOME
Muhlenberg*	4:30
Saturday, April 26	HOME
Johns Hopkins*	1:00
Tuesday, April 29	HOME
Bryn Mawr*	4:00

Rowing

Saturday, April 5	HOME
Caspersen Cup	
Saturday, April 12	AWAY@
LaSalle Invitational Regatta	
(Cherry Hill, NJ)	
Saturday, April 19	HOME
Washington College Invitational	
Fri.- Sat., Apr. 25-26	AWAY@
Atlantic Collegiate Sprint League	
(Carlisle, PA)	
Sunday, May 4	AWAY@
Mid Atlantic Championships	
(Lorton, VA)	
May 9-11	AWAY@
Dad Vail Regatta†	
(Philadelphia, PA)	
Saturday, May 17	AWAY@
NCAA Regional Regatta††	
(Oak Ridge, TN)	
May 29- June 1	AWAY@
NCAA Championship††	

† Men only †† Women only

Women's Tennis

Monday, Feb. 10	AWAY@
Navy	TBA
March 7-10	AWAY@
Rhodes, U. of the South,	
Kenyon, U. of TN	TBA
Wednesday, March 19	HOME
Bryn Mawr*	3:00
Saturday, March 22	AWAY@
Dickinson*	1:00
Tuesday, March 25	HOME
Swarthmore*	3:00
Saturday, March 29	AWAY@
Gettysburg*	1:00
Tuesday, April 1	HOME
Western Maryland*	3:00
Friday, April 4	HOME
Mary Washington	3:30
Monday, April 7	HOME
Haverford*	3:30
Wednesday, April 9	AWAY@
Ursinus*	3:30
Saturday, April 12	HOME
Muhlenberg*	3:00
Wednesday, April 16	AWAY@
Johns Hopkins*	3:30
Saturday, April 19	AWAY@
Franklin & Marshall*	11:00
Sunday, April 27	AWAY@
Bloomsburg	11:00

Men's Tennis

Sunday, Jan. 22	HOME
Colgate	10:00
Feb. 21-23	AWAY@
Trenton	TBA
March 8-10	AWAY@
Rhodes, U. of the South	
U. of TN, Chattanooga	TBA
Saturday, March 29	HOME
Gettysburg*	1:00
Tuesday, April 1	AWAY@
Western Maryland*	3:30
Saturday, April 5	AWAY@
Emory	TBA
Tuesday, April 8	AWAY@
Ursinus*	3:30
Wednesday, April 9	AWAY@
Haverford*	3:00
Saturday, April 12	AWAY@
Muhlenberg*	1:00
Saturday, April 15	HOME
Johns Hopkins*	3:00
Saturday, April 19	HOME
Franklin & Marshall*	1:00
Monday, April 21	HOME
Dickinson*	4:00
Saturday, April 26	AWAY@
Binghampton	1:00
Sunday, April 27	AWAY@
Bloomsburg	11:00

* Denotes Centennial Conference

Feyerherm Is NCAA Field Hockey Coach Of the Year

Head field hockey and women's lacrosse coach Sarah Feyerherm has been selected as the Field Hockey Coach of the Year for the South Region of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III.

In her fourth season at Washington College, Feyerherm coached the Shorewomen to a 13-5 record and a third place finish in the Centennial Conference, the best record ever for WC field hockey. Their regular season record earned the team their first ever appearance in a NCAA tournament.

Washington College Athletic Director Bryan Matthews says that "this is a well-deserved honor for the outstanding year that her hockey team had."

Feyerherm is a 1986 graduate of Hamilton College in New York where she graduated as their all-time leading scorer in both field hockey and basketball. She also earned her master's degree in sport management from the University of Massachusetts in 1991.

In addition to her coaching duties, Feyerherm serves as a member of both the NCAA South Region Field Hockey Advisory Committee and the United States Women's Lacrosse Association Executive Board.

Women's League Salutes Kitty Clements

The Women's League honored Katherine Anthony (Kitty) Clements '37 at a holiday reception at Hynson Ringgold House. Clements (left, with President Toll) is a founding member and past president of the Washington College Women's League and has held several influential positions on the Women's League Board. She has devoted considerable energies to the Hynson Ringgold House and chairs its committee of volunteer docents. Clements is also a member and past president of the Kent & Queen Anne's Hospital Auxiliary and is active with Kent Hospice and with Kent Conservation, Inc.

Shoremen Take Lacrosse To Japan

Two Shoremen lacrosse veterans, sophomore midfielder Chris Bieberbach and junior attackman Michael Wilson, exported a little American culture to Japan last summer. They were in Edogowa near Tokyo for the Under-19 World Lacrosse Championships, where they conducted clinics for Japanese college students and played in three exhibition games. The three-week trip for the graduates of Salesianum School in Wilmington, DE, was sponsored by Lacrosse World in celebration of the tenth anniversary of the Japan Lacrosse Association. Bieberbach and Wilson say the Japanese are wild about the new sport. While the Japanese players were no match for the U.S. team, they say, it may only be a matter of time before lacrosse outranks Little League baseball in Japanese popular culture.

Remembering Joyce Poetzl '60 As A Friend And, Finally, A Zeta

by Sue De Pasquale '87

One sunny day last April, four middle-aged women arrived at the home of their close friend, Joyce Poetzl '60, with the makings of a tasty lunch—as well as a few mysterious boxes and bags.

For the past 15 years, these five women—all close friends from their Washington College days—had been meeting several times a year for lunch, to catch up on news of husbands and kids, vacations and careers. Usually they met at a restaurant in Annapolis or on Kent Island. But today they were getting together in Poetzl's cozy Alexandria, Virginia, home because she was too weak to go out. Just a few months earlier the 58-year-old had been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. Her prognosis was grim.

Though Poetzl could eat little of the crab bisque and homemade bread that her friends had brought with them, her characteric sense of humor was intact, and the five friends passed a happy hour eating, joking and chatting about old times.

It wasn't long before Poetzl got around to asking about the contents of the boxes and bags that sat on her living room floor. Now that lunch was over, she wondered what on earth could they hold? Kakie Brackett White '58 exchanged knowing glances with Susan Hair Wright '62, Jane Rayner Massey '59, and Ellen Sterling Litsinger '59, and nodded her head as if to say, "It's time."

Then, with the artful placement of a few candles and a bunch of white violets, the four transformed Poetzl's living room into the Zeta Tau Alpha chapter room that they had known so well 40 years earlier.

Poetzl herself had never set foot in that chapter room because she was Jewish. At the time she was a college student in the late '50s, national men's and women's fraternities like ZTA routinely excluded non-Christians, blacks, and members of other ethnic and racial groups from joining. Poetzl was allowed to be a "social member" of the women's fraternity only and yet that compromised badge was one she wore proudly; throughout her successful career as an executive in the defense industry, she had always included her social standing with Zeta Tau Alpha on her resumé.

Kakie White knew that despite the history of discrimination, the women's fraternity had always held a special place in her friend's heart. She also knew that by the early 1970s, ZTA had finally abandoned its discriminatory practices and rewritten its by-laws to

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The "Steel Magnolias" at the tree planting ceremony are (standing l to r): Carole Sue Coupland, Dorinda Fitt, Candace Miller, Nancy Hindman, Dale Beeby, and (kneeling) Mona Hazera.

be inclusionary. So she contacted Becky Kirwin '70, a Washington College alumna and former national ZTA president who works as director of the ZTA Housing Corporation at the fraternity's international headquarters, and asked for special permission to install Poetzl formally as a sister. Within three days, everything was in place.

The half-hour initiation ceremony in Poetzl's living room that day was fraught with emotion, and the five women were frequently moved to tears—particularly when Massey read out loud a welcoming letter from the current sisters of the Gamma Beta Chapter at Washington College:

"Some sisters have worked harder than others to get here, but they are the sisters who often come to mean the most to the chapter. By being a 'special initiate' of our chapter, your part of the sisterhood is extremely important to all of us," wrote the young women. "It is sisterhood that has helped us through the hardest periods of our college years, and will continue to support us throughout our lives. We are overjoyed that you are finally able to share in the bond that we all have."

When longtime friend Dale Beeby called Poetzl shortly after the ceremony to check in on her, she was alarmed to hear her friend sobbing into the phone. It was the first time she'd heard the stalwart Poetzl cry since she'd become ill six months earlier. Beeby's dismay turned to relief when she discovered that Poetzl's tears were prompted by joy, not sadness. "She told me she had been initiated into Zeta, and she was so excited and so pleased," Beeby recalls. "It meant a great deal to her and she was going to enjoy it for all it was worth."

When Joyce Poetzl died barely a month later, on June 8, 1996, she was wearing her Zeta Tau Alpha pin.

Kakie White was a senior at Washington College when Poetzl arrived as a freshman transfer student from New Paltz State Teachers College in the fall of 1957. "There was an instant camaraderie," White recalls, owing in part, she says, to their mutual Long Island origins. The student body at that time numbered just 350, and very few of their classmates hailed from New York. "We were really considered a little bit odd because of our accents. People couldn't get over the way that we talked," she says, laughing.

Poetzl was assigned to a room on the third floor of Minta Martin Hall, then the home of the Zetas, and it didn't take long for her to forge friendships with many of the fraternity's sisters. "There was never any newness to her. She fit in with everybody right away, like she had been there all along," White says.

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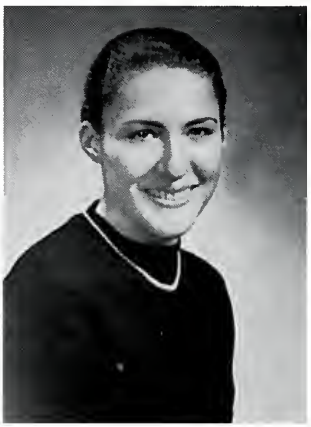
White and others describe the young Poetzl as a slender woman with dark hair and striking eyes—a stylish dresser, who favored well-tailored sweaters and pleated Tartan skirts. She earned good grades as a political science major, though few could ever recall seeing her study, and she always managed to find herself in the middle of any shenanigans.

"Joyce was a lot of fun, and had lots and lots of good friends. She had a great sense of humor and was someone who appreciated the absurd," recalls Dick Fitzgerald '60, who passed many a Friday night at the Bluebird Tavern with his Kappa Alpha buddies and a group of "Zetas" that included Poetzl, White, Massey, Wright, Litsinger and Emily Brimer Carey '59.

Fitzgerald says that he and his frat brothers considered Poetzl a Zeta, even though the prejudice of the times meant she couldn't take part in the sorority's meetings or official social functions, like formal dances. For her part, Poetzl never seemed rankled by the fact that she was prohibited from joining. These were relatively complacent times, when barriers based on discrimination had yet to fall.

"At that time, you just didn't think anything about it," says Massey. "It was the rule that you had to be Christian to join, and that was it. Those were the rules."

After she graduated in 1960, Poetzl worked for a time at the Cornell Medical Center in New York City, before moving to Washington, D.C. in 1965 to begin a career in the defense industry that would span more than three decades.



Joyce Poetzl in the 1960 Pegasus.

Her climb up the executive ladder started at the Rand Corporation. She worked as a liasion with the federal government, lobbying to get licensing approval for the export of sensitive armaments. Fitzgerald was working in Washington at the time as a mid-level lawyer, and the two former classmates would frequently get together for "power lunches," he says. Fitzgerald recalls being impressed by the sensitive nature of his friend's dealings with foreign governments.

"This was back when the Rand Corporation was involved in the most cloak-and-dagger parts of the Cold War. It was a job that required lots of smarts. You had to be able to roll with lots of punches. And that was Joyce. She did it very successfully," says Fitzgerald, who today is a partner in the Washington-based law firm of Muldoon, Murphy, and Faucette.

It was in 1975, while working as an export licensing officer at Singer Corporation, that Poetzl first met Dale Beeby, who was working at the Pentagon for the Navy. At that time the defense industry was a man's world, and the two sharp-thinking, sharp-dressing women stood out in the morass of gray-suited executives. Poetzl and Beeby became fast friends and, in their business dealings, ran into a handful of other defense industry women who, like themselves, were successful, assertive, and sophisticated.

Members of Zeta Tau Alpha in a 1958 yearbook photo include Poetzl's friends: Emily Brimer Carey (back row, second from left); Susan Hair Wright (second row standing, second from right), and Kakie Brackett White '58, Ellen Jo Sterling Litsinger '59, and Jane Rayner Massey '59 (third row sitting, fifth, sixth and seventh from right).

By the late '70s, this group of seven women had come up with a fitting name for themselves: "The Steel Magnolias." They got together for drinks on each of their birthdays, and rented a place at the beach for occasional getaway weekends.

"The Steel Magnolias are all very smart, forceful women who really succeeded in what was a very ultra-macho type of business," says Fitzgerald. Poetzl, who never married, traveled frequently to Europe to visit her only sister who lived in Rome. She was also quite close to her parents, and made monthly trips home to Long Island to visit them. With her travels, a demanding career that took her next to the McDonnell Douglas Corporation, her friendships with the Steel Magnolias, and a passion for jazzercise and tennis, Poetzl's plate was full.

During these busy years, the Zeta friends of Washington College days fell out of touch. That changed in the early '80s, when their classmate Emily Brimer Carey died of breast cancer. Poetzl, White, and the others were shaken by losing their friend at such a young age. Poetzl had been especially close to Carey, and she established a scholarship at Washington College in Carey's honor. She also took the initiative in gathering her Zeta friends together for a luncheon. "Emily's death was sort of a shock," says Litsinger. "We decided we ought to keep up our friendship since we'd lost one of us so unexpectedly." The remaining five Zeta sisters vowed to get together several times a year for lunch.

It was at one of these lunches, in October 1995, that Poetzl's friends first noticed that she wasn't feeling well. Her appetite had been off for several weeks and she looked pallid, but her four friends didn't think it was anything serious. They chalked it up to a lingering case of the flu.

After a series of extensive tests, Poetzl underwent surgery on her pancreas in December. Doctors told her she had a pancreatic cyst, which they removed, and sent her home. But her health deteriorated and she became racked with pain. After a second surgery in March, at Johns Hopkins Hospital, a new diagnosis came back: pancreatic cancer, which had spread all over her body. The Hopkins doctors gave her three months to live.

Poetzl knew she didn't want to spend her final days in a hospital, but she was growing increasingly weak and could not go it alone at home. So Beeby stepped in, rallying the support of the Steel Magnolias and a half dozen other friends. Each evening after work, one friend would arrive at Poetzl's house with a bottle of wine and the ingredients for dinner. "They'd sit and have a glass of wine, then dinner and dessert. Afterward the gal would spend the night, then make coffee and breakfast the next morning before going off to work," explains Beeby. "One of us was with her every day until June, so she never had to be alone." Her quartet of close Washington College friends also paid visits, both when she was in the hospital and at home.

Poetzl never lost her sense of humor throughout her final months, despite the considerable pain she suffered. "Joyce taught an awful lot of people an awful lot about how to die gracefully," Beeby says.

Poetzl (center) with Ellen Jo Sterling Litsinger '59 (left) and Kakie Brackett White '58 at a lunchtime gathering before Poetzl's illness.

On what would be Poetzl's final birthday, in May, the Steel Magnolias came en masse for a birthday dinner. "She made me promise there would be no gifts, since she couldn't use scarves or earrings anymore," Beeby recalls.

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that her friends had come up with a fittingly unique way to honor her memory—something that would memorialize her close ties to the Steel Magnolias, as well as her lasting affection for her alma mater. Beeby handed Poetzl a large paper bag, which she opened to find a silk magnolia tree. "We know you didn't want any presents," Beeby explained, "so we've decided to put our money together to have a magnolia tree planted at Washington College in your name."

Poetzl looked at her friends, with tears in her eyes, smiled, and said, "That's great."

On a warm, sunny morning in mid-October, several months after Poetzl's death, more than a dozen men and women gathered before a 10-foot tree in front of Minta Martin Hall at Washington College.

The group included many of the people who had loved—and been loved by—Joyce Poetzl the most: her Zeta sisters, the Steel Magnolias, and her 92-year-old father, a vigorous man with a shock of white hair. He had made the trip all the way from Long Island with one of his daughter's longtime friends. They had come to dedicate a Southern Magnolia in the name of the woman who had meant so much to them.

For most of the four Zeta sisters, it was their first opportunity to meet the Steel Magnolias, whom Poetzl had spoken about so warmly over the years. The two groups of women took to each other without a moment's hesitation. "I could see right away why they were Joyce's friends," says Litsinger. "I think we all would have been friends if we had known each other."

In lieu of a funeral service, Poetzl had wanted and helped plan a no-holds-barred party at the Army-Navy Country Club in Arlington. From all accounts, it turned out to be quite a bash, complete with a live band, open bar, and lots of food. "Joyce always had style," says White, who attended the party with her husband.

Poetzl also left money in her will for the Steel Magnolias to travel to Italy and scatter her ashes over the idyllic Isle of Capri.

Neither did she forget her *alma mater*. Thanks to a significant gift from her estate, many others will have the opportunity to make friends for a lifetime at Washington College. In their midst will be a more tangible memorial to Joyce Poetzl, a Southern Magnolia tree and the accompanying plaque that reads:

> Dedicafed in loving memory of
> JOYCE ELLEN POETZL
> ZTA, Class of 1960,
> by her friends,
> The Steel Magnolias, 1996

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The Changing Face Of Greeks On Campus

In Joyce Poetzl's era, Jewish students were welcome and accepted at Washington College. But they were excluded from certain clubs.

"From an admissions standpoint, there had never been a policy against Jewish students," recalls Ermon Foster, professor of education and long-time Registrar at Washington College, now retired. "In fact, there were probably more Jewish students in the 1950s and '60s than there are today. I recall that Dr. [Daniel] Gibson had invited a Jewish rabbi to preside over commencement ceremonies in the 1950s and by 1959-60 we had in place a Jewish Student Fellowship organization." That religious/social club was a precursor to today's Hillel Chapter, established in 1991.

But even in the first half of the revolutionary 1960s, Jewish students generally were not welcome in most greek organizations. It took the Civil Rights movement to dramatize issues of segregation and to make people—on the Washington College campus and beyond—challenge discrimination practices against blacks as well as other ethnic and racial groups.

"The atmosphere at the College was not hostile to Jewish students, but this kind of social discrimination was endemic across the country at that time," explains Nate Smith, who has been teaching history at Washington College for 40 years and who remembers Joyce Poetzl from his classroom.

Around that same time, several students, male and female, dropped out of the greek system entirely to form their own social club, open to everyone, known as the Pariahs. Sam Rodar '67, who initially pledged Phi Sigma Kappa, says the Pariahs gently made fun of the greek system by holding mock bidding sessions and elections. He remembers the Pariahs had a lot of fun playing softball, badly.

Over the next several years, the greek organizations evolved on their own accord. According to Edward M. Athey '67, the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity was the most inclusionary. He recalls that in his day approximately half of the Phi Sig membership was Jewish. And even though the national office of the Southern-based Kappa Alpha Order prohibited blacks from joining, the Washington College chapter offered a bid to Marty Smith '67. Smith chose to pledge Phi Sig.

Today, approximately one-quarter of all Washington College students pledge one of six national Greek-letter organizations. Bid choices are made on the basis of academic performance and personality traits instead of religion or skin color. All second semester freshmen in good academic standing are eligible to rush the fraternities or sororities of their choice.

Today's Zetas are a diverse group of women with different strengths, both academic and athletic, says Zeta Mariah Geissler '96. Among the membership body are Jewish, African-American and Japanese women.

"Each member contributes unique qualities to the sorority. By pooling individual strengths, we create a very solid organization," says Geissler, who served as Zeta secretary last year.

But for Allison Breidenstein '98, Zeta sisterhood is about friendship more than anything else.

"Since pledging Zeta I've made really good friends with girls I didn't even know before. You can always count on your sisters to help you and support you. They'll always be there for you."

Wyeth And Wyeth: Art & Science Meld At Washington College

by P.J. Wingate '33

A new biography called *Andrew Wyeth, A Secret Life*, by Richard Meryman, suggests America's most celebrated living artist may have a mysterious and even dark side to his genius. And perhaps he has, but it is certain that Wyeth also has a bright and fun-loving side too, something which he displayed all day when he visited Washington College in 1976 to receive the first Washington College Award for Excellence.

Wyeth's visit had its beginning when Dr. Joseph H. McLain, then president of the College, asked me to help persuade the famous Chadds Ford, PA, resident to come to the College for an honorary degree.

"We have the greatest artist in the world," Dr. McLain told me, "living only a few miles from here, but we have never given our students the chance to meet or even see him. You know his brother well, so maybe you could persuade Wyeth to visit us for an honorary degree."

I did know the artist's older brother, Nathaniel, well because both of us worked for the DuPont Company and our paths crossed frequently. Also, I had several times told Nat that the famous painting, "The Island Funeral," which hung in the Brandywine room of the Hotel du Pont, was a favorite of mine because it was a great combination of art and science. The art came from the fact that it had been painted by his father, Newell Converse Wyeth, who had started the Wyeth dynasty of artists, and the science came from the fact that the brilliant blue and green pigments used by the artist in a spectacular manner, had been derivatives of copper phthalocyanine, developed by DuPont.

So I agreed to ask Nat's help with the College's desire to have him visit Chestertown for an honorary degree, but when I did I ran into an immediate snag.

"I'll be glad to do what I can," Nat told me, "but I don't think it will do any good. In the first place, nobody, particularly an artist, wants advice from an older brother, and in the second place, I heard Andy say several weeks ago that he already has 30 or 40 honorary degrees, including ones from Harvard and Yale and he would be damned if he was going to take the time to collect any more."

This stopped the discussion, briefly, but then Nat grinned and said, "He might stand still for something more interesting than an honorary degree — say, a special award of some kind. Andy likes that sort of thing and has gone to England, France and maybe some other countries to receive them."

Armed with this inside information, I went back to Joe McLain and the Board of Visitors and Governors and got approval to start a special prize to

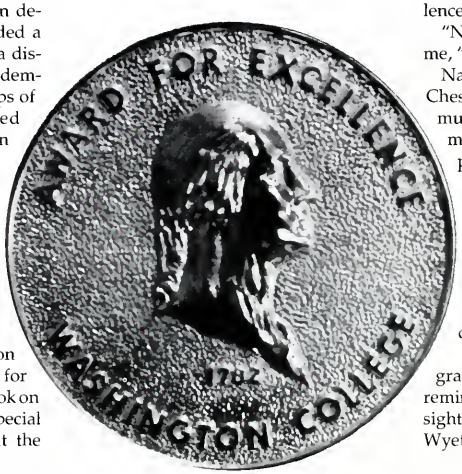
be called "The Washington College Award for Excellence." When Andrew Wyeth was asked to become the first recipient of this award, he promptly agreed, thereby proving that his brother was a first-class psychologist as well as a top-notch engineer and scientist.

Andrew Wyeth drove down to the graduation exercises in 1976 in a spectacular sports car which had been designed to suit his tastes. It included a long silver horn which gave out a distinctive blast when the great artist demonstrated it several times to groups of Chestertown kids who crowded around it at the town square when he parked it there before graduation and again at Hynson-Ringgold House where he went for a reception and lunch. On both occasions the artist seemed to be having as much fun as the kids were. In fact, Andrew Wyeth obviously enjoyed himself throughout his day in Chestertown.

When Dr. McLain read the citation which went with that first Award for Excellence, Wyeth had a relaxed look on his face but he looked at Joe with special attention when McLain said that the famous artist probably had not yet painted his greatest work, but until he did, "Christina's World" continues to be looked at around the world as his masterpiece. Anyone who saw it would be "at least a little bit better person than he was before."

After the graduation exercises, Wyeth stood outside the chemistry building and, with obvious pleasure, signed graduation programs for 15 or 20 minutes. He never seemed in a hurry and talked easily with each person who presented a program to him. Joe McLain and I stood a little distance away during the signing session and Joe said to me, "I hope the students have the good judgment to hold onto those signatures because they will be worth a lot of money in the future. I read recently that a restaurant bill in Paris signed by Picasso sold for $3,000 and Wyeth is twice as good an artist as Picasso ever was — even before Picasso began to paint men with three eyes in their forehead and nude women with one breast in the middle of their stomach."

Shortly before he left to go home, Wyeth looked across the Chester River at Queen Anne's County and asked Joe McLain and me if Charles Willson Peale had been born along the Chester River or further south. When we both said we did not know he seemed slightly disappointed at our ignorance concerning the founder of the first great family of American artists. He recovered quickly and gave a final blast



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of his car horn to the startled delight of just one boy who walked by.

When I told Nat about his brother's horn blowing, he laughed and said, "That's just like all artists. I grew up in a family of them and they all liked to blow their own horns." I knew he was joking and really was proud of his artistic family, which included his own son, Andrew N. Wyeth, but I thought I detected a slight touch of envy, too, and with some reason. Nat Wyeth was as much a genius in his own field as his more famous relatives were in theirs. He held patents in a wide variety of fields, ranging from explosives to fabrics, bristles and aerosols, but only one of them, Patent No. 3,733,309, on the extrusion of polyethylene terephthalate, ever drew much public attention. Among scientists, however, things were different, and Nat received a lot of honors, including a dozen or so honorary degrees and the prestigious Lavoisier award. However, I believe the honor which pleased him the most came in 1987 when Washington College made him the second Wyeth to receive its Award for Excellence.

"Now I'm even with Andy," he told me, "and my son can be proud of me."

Nat had fun on his visit to Chestertown, too, but probably not as much as his younger brother. He told me, "People are not much impressed with engineers and not a single soul asked me to autograph the Convocation program." He smiled when he said that, but I thought I saw a trace of the envy I had detected eleven years earlier when Andrew Wyeth received his Award for Excellence.

Nat's reference to the autographs signed by his famous brother reminded me that I had not been farsighted enough to have Andrew Wyeth sign a program for me, even after Joe McLain told me how valuable such a signature might become. However, I do have one Andrew Wyeth signature — on a letter he wrote to me in 1991 thanking me for inviting him and his wife to a dinner honoring Dr. and Mrs. Charles Trout, then president of Washington College. I haven't had it appraised, but if Joe McLain was right in his comparative evaluation of Wyeth and Picasso as artists, and I think he was, then my Wyeth signature is worth at least $6,000. Nevertheless, I have not offered it up for auction, and probably will not soon.

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Artist Jamie Wyeth will become the third member of the Wyeth family to receive the Washington College Award For Excellence on Saturday, February 22, 1997 (see inside back cover for details).

Washington College Alumni "Net" Jobs In Cyberspace

by J. Tarin Towers '94

When Washington College alumni recently were asked to provide Harris Publishing Company with updated personal information for the new Alumni Directory, there was space allotted for an e-mail, or electronic mail, address. The majority of working alumni have one. When the last Alumni Directory was compiled in 1990, very few people would have had — or even heard of — e-mail, or the Internet over which it travels.

Much as "plastics" was the buzzword in the 1970s movie *The Graduate*, the Internet is today's key to future success. Electronic communication has affected not only the way we keep in touch and learn, but the way in which we do business, run our personal affairs, and keep informed. Several recent Washington College graduates have found their niche in this electronic workplace. We asked J. Tarin Towers '95 to introduce us to a few Cyber-workers and help us get with the program.

Last summer, two years out of college, I quit my job as a Website reviewer, content producer and technical liaison and started work as a freelance writer and technical consultant. I'm using the writing skills I honed at Washington College, but in ways I would never have predicted or even thought possible.

Let me backtrack a little. In 1990, there wasn't an Internet to speak of, not that I'd have access to or be interested in it. When I moved to the West Coast, I was unwittingly participating in a nationwide migration to the other Bay — San Francisco. Over the last few years, the San Francisco Bay Area, which includes Silicon Valley, has had another technology industry gold rush — but this time, it isn't just programmers who are cashing in. Internet jobs can entail anything from actually coding HTML (Hypertext Markup Language) to writing journalism, from designing graphics to advertising and marketing online.

Washington College got hooked up to the Internet in 1993, but it had been operating as a large-scale local area network using Appletalk since the mid-1980s. At the time that the original network was set up, Washington College had quite a high-tech computing network for a college of its size.

Later in 1993, a program called Mosaic was being developed that would change the face of the Internet forever. No longer simply a world of line commands and clever hacking, the Internet became accessible in the appeal sense, because with Mosaic, the World Wide Web became a visual medium.

When the majority of today's alumni matriculated, there was no such thing as the Internet. When I graduated, the Internet was getting bigger all the time, but purely Internet jobs were virtually unheard of.

As webmaster for the Internet Engineering Task Force, Gehrett Ellis '93 is part of an international community of network designers, operators, vendors and researchers concerned with the evolution of the Internet architecture. IETF provides a forum for working groups to coordinate technical developments of new protocols.

I landed in San Francisco in 1995 and found a want ad that advertised for someone with exactly my skills — a writer with Internet experience. After a few months of the usual temp work and table waiting, I got an interview (and the job) at the McKinley Group, a group of Internet publishers and technologists who created Magellan, a rated and reviewed guide to the Web. McKinley Group has since been purchased by Excite, Inc., another Web search company. Thus I joined the teeming masses of young college graduates who land jobs on the Internet. During the past few years this new Internet industry has moved beyond Silicon Valley and the universities and now is applicable to nearly any field.

But that's not to say that universities are out of the Internet loop. Brian Matheson '95, with whom I moved to California, got a job right away at a "virtual university." The business school at the University of Phoenix is entirely virtual — students correspond with their professors and participate in class discussions in an entirely online, text-based environment. From his base in San Francisco, Brian did tech support at the U of P online for a while, moved to McKinley (where I worked) for another tech support stint, and then settled into working for Sirius Connections, an Internet service provider. His workplace Website is at <http://www.sirius.com/>.

Although Brian has been computer literate for most of his life, he majored in philosophy — not a field most people would consider conducive to administrating wide area networks and configuring modem pools.

What surprises Brian is not that so many jobs are opening in Internet fields, but "how easy it is to get started, and how few of the people in the business have a formal computer science background."

Brian thinks that humanities degrees are fairly common in Internet-related fields, and with good reason. "Reading and writing are most of what the Internet is about," he says. "I think that's why humanities types are so common in the industry. In general, I think this bodes well for WC students who may want to get into Internet-related fields."

Indeed, people with strong written communications skills can find work as "content providers" who create the text that bolsters the hi-tech or flashy fare found on many Websites.

One such person is Mindie Kaplan '96, another philosophy (and English) major at WC, who works in Web development and research at Computer Data Systems in Rockville, MD. Mindie helped develop and maintain the home page for Washington College, and worked for most of her time at Washington College's Computing Center. This experience made it natural for Mindie to find work in an Internet-related field, but what surprised Mindie was that people would actually pay her to do the work.

HTML, the Hypertext Markup Language, seems daunting to beginners but is easy to learn and use. Says Mindie, "It surprised me how valued these skills were. During the summers at Washington College, we joked about it being 'unskilled labor' because all it took was time and interest. Time and interest (especially time!) are a lot easier to come by in college than they are in the 'real world,' it seems."

For those reasons, people who just mess around on the Internet during college may pick up a lot of skills that are valuable in the business world, especially to businesses that want an Internet presence but don't know how to get it. Since Mindie's research for work includes keeping up with online discussion groups, what can be seen as wasting time during college years might actually be preparing you for an Internet job.

Justin Cann '93 is currently attending graduate school in English at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque — a pretty logical progression from majoring in English. What Justin does that would have been unheard of when he himself was an undergrad is use a computer classroom to teach a freshman composition course. He encourages his students to use the Web as a research tool to find more information about authors discussed in class. Justin keeps a copy of his course syllabus online and encourages his students to contact him through e-mail; at times he maintains an e-mail discussion list in which students can discuss class topics on their own time, outside of class. Justin also notes that the computing classroom in the Casey Academic Center outshines the one at UNM.

(Right) Tarin Towers' new book on the Internet search engine Yahoo!, Wild Web Rides, *features the best and strangest of Websites, as well as chapters on live entertainment online. She contributes a weekly Top Ten column to the book's Website on subjects such as investigating paranormal phenomena. Check at IDG Books front page at www.idgbooks.com.*

Justin also has engaged in e-mail-based discussions on literature with people from around the world — the only way he would have been likely to discover a Japanese interest in Old English. He has sent a specialized document template for writing in Old English as far away as Japan and Sweden.

Justin and other WC alumni keep in touch via e-mail, which these days is not all that unusual. What is unusual is Justin's gaming-centered alumni gatherings online. Using Internet Relay Chat (IRC), Justin, Brian, and Scott Koon '95 can participate in real-time role-playing games. Justin's explanation of the Gylthmoor universe (based on the Chesapeake Bay area) can be found on his Website (http://www.highfiber.com/~justinc/moonpile's_home_page.htm). Other Internet users have contacted him to tell him that they're using Gylthmoor in their own games.

Katina Duklewski '94 has put her degree (in art) to work, although she wasn't aware at graduation that such work would be heavily Internet-based. Katina works as the Publications and Microcomputer Assistant for the Welch Medical Library at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore. Day-to-day job functions for Katina, as for many others who work in Internet fields, vary widely. She creates Web pages, designs public relations materials, and does a variety of administrative tasks — many of which are computer related.

While Katina didn't major in computer science, she feels that the local area network that existed at Washington College since the mid-1980s — essentially a proto-intranet — prepared her for the Internet. WC's intranet allowed faculty, staff and students to use the same tools, such as Web browsers, file servers and e-mail to communicate and share information internally. "In many ways," she says, "I feel like I have a better shot at anything Internet-related in my career, because I had the chance to learn a new way of thinking through constant use of Washington College's intranet."

Another Webmaster, Gehrett Ellis '93, works with some of the visionaries who developed the Internet as we know it today. As an editor and Webmaster at the Corporation for National Research Initiatives (CNRI) in Washington, DC, Gehrett uses the strong writing component of his bachelor in humanities and his master's in English literature to edit reports and online documentation for the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) Website (http://ietf.org/). Gehrett's first job after graduation was with the Coalition for Networked Information (CNI). Ever since then, he's found the Internet an energizing field.

Gehrett graduated the year before Washington College got its direct link to the Internet, but now he "can't believe how much I rely on the Internet on a day-to-day basis." He works for one of the few central organizations that develops Internet protocols (W3C is another), and at home, the Internet is an integral part of his life.

"Not only is it how I communicate with my family in Boston and England (or even with my roommate who works 25 minutes away from my office), but it's also how I obtain the daily news."

Brian agrees with Gehrett. "I don't think I'll ever need to subscribe to a printed newspaper, or watch fires, shootings, and crack-houses on the 11 o'clock news. The Internet is a very selective media; you can pull out of it exactly what you're interested in. With access getting cheaper, and with better indexing and storage solutions being developed every year, I think it's only a matter of time before the Internet becomes the most popular medium for getting news and information."

J. Tarin Towers '94, poetry slammer, freelance writer and Internet consultant was a contributing writer/technical editor for Surfing the Internet with Netscape Navigator 3. *Check out her Web page at <http://www.tarin.com/>.*

Steve Fuchs Trailblazes Internet Marketing

If the Internet is the new frontier for small businesses, then Steve Fuchs '96 is a trail guide. With his new Internet marketing company, Netstar Systems and Design Innovations (look for NSDi at http://www.nsdi.net), Fuchs aims to help Eastern Shore businesses get their products and services on the Net.

Fuchs, who graduated with a degree in psychology and drama, launched his business enterprise last October to bring web technology to Eastern Shore businesses. From the dining room of their Water Street apartment in Chestertown, he and partner Sean Wilson design and set up commercial web sites for clients seeking a wider audience.

"The Internet is a very powerful advertising and marketing tool, especially for businesses in a remote area," says Fuchs. "Travel agencies, florists and real estate agencies are ideal businesses for the Internet. We'll also be focusing on local artisans who do commissioned work. A web site for a decoy carver, for instance, can put an artisan in touch with collectors around the country. Collectors will be able to see images of his work and order a commissioned decoy."

NSDi is also marketing health and fitness products for BioHealth, the full line of role-playing games and fantasy novels, and the services of a Queen Anne's County CENTURY 21 real estate office.

"One of the challenges for our business on the Eastern Shore is fear of this new technology," says Fuchs. "But it's exciting for clients to get in on the ground floor with this electronic marketing tool. There's not a lot of competition and we've found that using standard media — print and broadcast — to endorse a web site is very effective."

Fuchs expects their business to grow exponentially as more people go on-line and the Internet becomes cheaper and easier to use. "In just a few years getting on the Internet will be as easy as using your TV remote control," he says.

ALUMNI REPORTER

Eight Join WC's Athletic Hall Of Fame

Robert A. Bragg '59, Roland T. (Bucky) Larrimore '62, Bryan L. Matthews '75, and James D. Twilley '51 were inducted into the College's Athletic Hall of Fame at the annual ceremony on October 5, 1996. Troy F. Biddle '16, George A. Bratt, Jr. '21, William Floyd Brown '19 and Howard K. Plummer '32 were inducted posthumously.

The 1982 lacrosse team, under head coach Bryan Matthews, was also honored at the Hall of Fame affair. The '82 team scored the first ever win over Navy and they came very close to winning a national championship.

Bob Bragg was cited for outstanding performance in soccer, basketball and baseball. He earned All-Conference and All-South All-American honors in soccer.

Bucky Larrimore was a standout in soccer and baseball. He garnered All-Conference honors in both sports and All-South All-American in soccer.

PHOTO: GIBSON ANTHONY

(l to r): Bucky Larrimore, Bob Bragg, Bryan Matthews, and Jim Twilley join other great WC athletes in the Hall of Fame.

Bryan Matthews, a two-year All-American and Coach of the Year in Divisions I and III, was one of the most outstanding lacrosse goalies to represent Washington College.

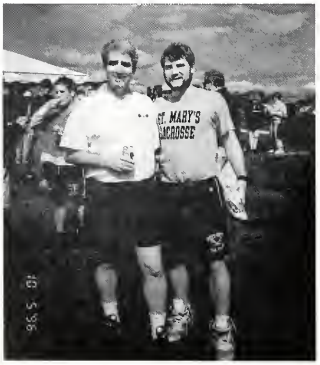
Jim Twilley was an outstanding contributor to track and field, specializing in the quarter mile. He was also a member of the relay team that won both the Mason-Dixon and the Middle Atlantic Conference Mile Relay Championships.

Troy Biddle was an exceptional baseball pitcher. He also played football and was a starting guard in basketball.

George Bratt lettered in football, baseball and basketball. After college he played and managed semi-professional baseball and served as a scout for the Detroit Tigers.

William Floyd Brown excelled in football, basketball and baseball.

Howard Plummer is best remembered for his prowess on the football and baseball fields.



All-American Duo: When WC lacrosse alumni took on the varsity team last October, father and son Bruce '66 and Bart Jaeger '96, both All-American attackmen, competed. Bruce is a member of the Sho'men Club and the Hall of Fame Committee and spoke at the Hall of Fame induction ceremony.

Harris Sells Directories

The new Alumni Directory is scheduled for release in May 1997. During the next several weeks, a representative of the Harris Publishing Company will call to verify your listing. At this time, you can reserve your own copy. The directories are available in both deluxe and standard editions, at a cost of $49.99 and $46.99 respectively, plus $6.50 for shipping.

KAs Celebrate 60th Anniversary

by Walter C. Brandt '43 and Charles S. Waesche '53

More than 85 members of Washington College's Beta Omega Chapter of Kappa Alpha Order returned to campus in November to celebrate the chapter's 60th anniversary.

Among them were Charlie Berry '36, who holds the honor of being the first Number I (President), William B. Johnson '40, chairman emeritus of the Whitman Corporation who was the keynote speaker at Saturday's dinner, and P. David Knowles, Jr. '70, Director of the Washington College Dining Services, who made sure the brothers were well fed.

Brother Federico Da-Fieno '97, the present Number I, served as chairman during all meetings. Other distinguished guests were the Executive Director of the Kappa Alpha Order Larry Weise and his wife, Vicki, and Province Commander Joe Van Name '89.

The brothers assembled on Friday evening, along with their "KA Roses," to greet old friends, reminisce, and embellish once again legendary exploits both real and invented. Saturday's festivities began with a luncheon and fraternity meeting, a renewal of fraternity pledges and a general discussion of fraternity business. Emphasis was placed on the Kappa Alpha's role in supporting the college.

During Saturday's dinner, College President John Toll addressed the assembly and informed them of the College's short and long-term goals. Toll made specific reference to the many contributions of Kappa Alpha alumni, noting those who have served recently as Alumni Association presidents, members of the Board of Visitors and Governors, and benefactors of The 1782 Society.

Bill Johnson, who traveled from Chicago, concluded the weekend of activities with a thought-provoking and inspiring speech. Johnson and his family have been supportive of the College over the years. Their generous donation helped make the Johnson Lifetime Fitness Center a reality. He has served on as many as fifteen corporate boards during his business career.

The Kappa Alpha Order was first welcomed to the campus by College President Dr. Gilbert Meade in 1936, when the KA Order granted a charter to the existing Alpha Kappa fraternity, the oldest of the local fraternities on campus. Fourteen students were inducted, along with several distinguished faculty members.

"Excellence is our motto." Members of the Kappa Alpha Order renewed their vow to be good citizens, on campus and beyond.

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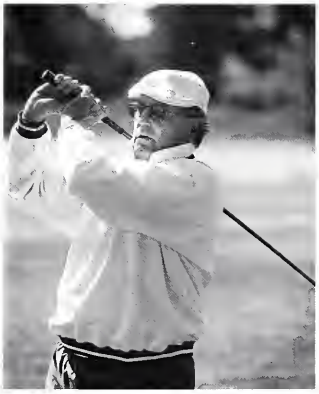

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Golf Tourney Draws Crowd

This year's seventh annual Alumni Golf Tournament was the biggest ever! More than 90 alumni and guests, like Mickey DiMaggio '60, returned to Chester River Yacht and Country Club on October 4, 1996 for a chilly but clear day for golf. After 18 holes, the golfers gathered in Washington College's Hynson Lounge for a buffet dinner and awards presentation.

Baseball Alumni Play Varsity Team

On Saturday, October 5, 1996, Washington College baseball alumni gathered in the new Athey Field dugouts to plan their strategy against the Washington College's varsity team. Pictured are Chris Rosfelder '89 (kneeling), Al Grzech '74, Keith Whiteford '94, Larry Brandenburg '50, Steve Sandebeck '73, Patrick Jones '84, Bill Kemp '51, Vince Bacchetta '50, Chris Warren '90, Charlie Joiner '87 and Brian Rush '96. The alumni team missed the great coaching ability of Fred Schroeter '47 who could not attend this year's ballgame.

Wilsons Host Annapolis Reception

On Sunday, October 13, 1996, Bob '59 and Bobbie Wilson hosted a reception for Annapolis alumni at their waterfront home. John and Deborah Toll were honored guests. Co-Presidents, Susan Stobbart '91 and Jennifer Sponseller '92, who organized the successful event, welcomed everyone and announced the prize gift drawing winners.

Washington College Thanks Bob Cleaver

Bob Cleaver '58 was honored at a farewell party given by his Washington College co-workers in December. Cleaver filled in as Acting Director of the Office of Alumni Affairs while Pat Trams '75 took a year-long leave of absence. Marty Williams, Vice President for Development and Alumni Affairs, thanked Cleaver for maintaining key alumni relationships and and directing several alumni programs.

Alumni Council Helps Chart Future Course

Members of the Washington College Alumni Council, representing classes spanning from 1924 to 1996, met with President John Toll last fall. Among the issues they discussed were growing enrollment figures, campus expansion projects such as Daly Hall (under construction in the background) and new residence halls, and the need for additional scholarships. Paul Boertlein '75 (fourth from left, kneeling) is the Alumni Council president.

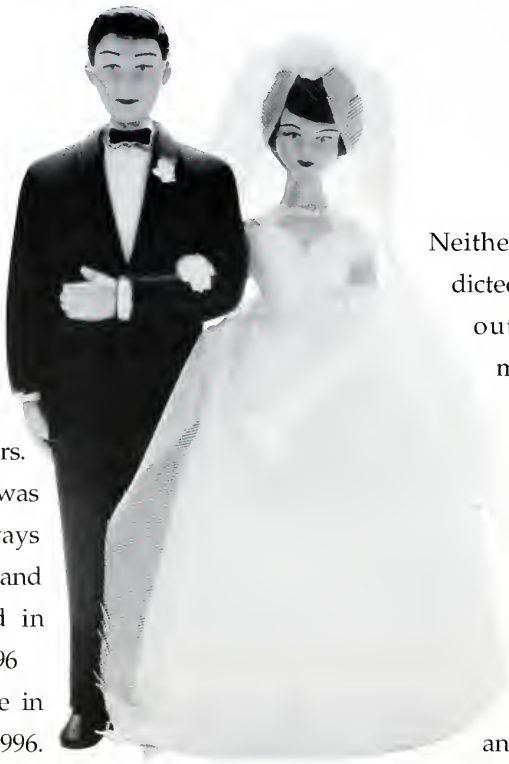
National Capital Chapter Makes Reunion Plans

Members of the National Capital Alumni Chapter, shown here at Pizzeria Uno on Connecticut Avenue, meet for Happy Hour each month. After January's meeting, Elizabeth Likens '96 and Amy Tingle '96, Irene Nicolaidis '87 and Sara Welch '87 and Colleen Blenkstone '92 and Chapter President Troy Petenbrink '92 made plans for their first, fifth and tenth year reunions in May.

Easton Chapter Gathers at Pickering Creek

Don Munson, Curator of The McLain Program in Environmental Studies, provided an informative talk on WC's Environmental Studies Program to Easton alumni and their guests at Pickering Creek Environmental Center on Saturday, December 7, 1996. Pickering Creek serves as the location for Gilbert V. Byron's '23 cottage. Pictured from left: Johanna Grunden Walter '79, H. P. Ketterman, Karen Reisinger Ketterman '90, Dr. Don Munson, Kristina Tatusko Henry '88, Mike Henry, Alice Glen '63, Ann Hurst Cleaver '57, Bob Cleaver '58 and Anne Burris '48.

Not everything that happens during Washington College's Reunion Weekend is on the Schedule of Events.



Last year, Margaret Senate Goldstein '76 and Bill Janney '76 met again at their 20th Reunion. Much had changed in 20 years. What hadn't changed was the torch Bill had always carried for Senate. Bill and Senate were reunited in Chestertown in May 1996 and united in marriage in Florida in December 1996.

Neither would have predicted such a wonderful outcome when they made their Reunion reservations. But wonderful things keep happening here at WC. Come back for Reunion on May 16-18, and rekindle your love for Washington College, and perhaps ...

These are *some* of the events on the Schedule for Reunion Weekend 1997.

friday, may 16
- Sho'men Club Golf Outing
- Reunion Class Receptions
- Sunset Cruises and Picnic Supper on the Chester River
- Toast to the Class of 1997

saturday, may 17
- Panel Discussion: "Literary Lives"
- Reunion Picnic on the Lawn
- Daytime Cruises on the Chester River
- "Greek Games" for Graduates of the last decade
- A Celebration of Washington College writers
- Reunion Class Receptions
- All Alumni Reunion Dinner
- Starlight Dance

sunday, may 18
- Service of Remembrance
- 215th Commencement Ceremony

A complete Reunion Weekend schedule will be mailed to all alumni in March. For more information, call the Alumni Office at 1-800-422-1782, ext. 7812, or look for news on the Washington College web site, at www.washcoll.edu/.

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CLASS NOTES

'27 Henrietta Crane Straughn of Wilmington, DE, widow of Doc Straughn '21, recently discovered a connection to another alumnus. She and Edwin T. Lucky '31, of Hollywood, CA, went to grammar school together at Waverly Public School in Baltimore. The two, both 89, struck up a correspondence after Mrs. Straughn met President John Toll at a Delaware Alumni Chapter event and asked him about Mr. Lucky.

'34 Paul Pippin has written a book titled *A Design Assignment* documenting his architectural work related to the design of the United Nation's Secretariat Building. He has given to the Architectural and Fine Arts Library of Columbia University numerous of his architectural drawings. Also included in his gift are a number of original architectural sketches by Mies van der Rohe, the famous *Bau Haus* architect.

'35 Dr. William O. Baker represented Washington College at the 250th Anniversary convocation of Princeton University. Baker recently received the Philip Hauge Abelson Prize from the American Association for the Advancement of Science "for his exceptional career in advancing science and technology, and for his tireless efforts in applying science and technology to meet national needs in reforming education and promoting government-industry-university cooperation."

Richard Cooper has documented and recorded the Salisbury, MD region's history, dating back to its pre-European past. His narrations have appeared as regular columns written for Salisbury's newspaper, *The Daily Times*, and have been expanded and published as collections in two books, *Portrait of Salisbury, Maryland thru the 1900s: the places, the faces, and THE TIMES* and its sequel, *Salisbury in TIMES Gone By*. His pieces also appear on the World Wide Web.

June Weaver Harshaw reports, "This year I had a wonderful trip to Switzerland and Austria. We left JFK two days before the fatal TWA accident! My granddaughter is studying at the *Sorbonne* in Paris for her Junior year. She is fluent in French and is interested in international affairs. My short time at Washington College seems like I only dreamed it."

60th Reunion May 16-18, 1997

'37 Mary Woodland Gould, 13111 Shallcross Wharf Road, Kennedyville, MD 21645 (410) 348-5161 is chair of your Reunion Planning Committee. Please call or write with questions and/or to offer your support.

Robert B. White writes: "This year saw the marriage of my grandson, and the birth of my third great-grandchild—daughter of my granddaughter, Julie Poole Doughty. This is the third year that I have worked out at Peninsula Regional Hospital Cardiac Rehab, doing 12 miles a week and weight lifting and I am feeling good."

'39 C. F. W. Anderson is still enjoying retirement in the "Great Valley," Hagerstown, MD. He and Mary have been busy—two visits to the Smithsonian, a trip to Austria in May and another to the U.K. in September. In the U.K. they visited a number of aerospace museums, culminating with a day at the famous Farnborough Air Show where there were fabulous flying displays and exhibits.

George M. Eisentrout and wife, Dorothy, still live in Olympia, WA. George officially retired in 1979 after 35 years of administrative service and teaching in the public schools (two years in Delaware and 33 years in Washington) and five years of military service. George keeps active with golfing, gardening, Kiwanis, church activities and traveling. He took up woodcarving in 1987. Dorothy is a native Washingtonian and is active in community affairs.

Clarence L. Kibler is serving on the United Way Board of Caroline County (MD) and the St. Martin's Ministries Board.

'40 Walter B. Harris is still with Dolly on Blooming Neck Farm in Still Pond Neck. Their four children are scattered—Hayes with the twin boys is in Florida, Hunter in Easton, MD, Holly in Helena, MT, and Heather on a yacht in the West Indies.

William H. Jones and wife, Kay, spent the month of June touring Central Europe — covering Germany, Poland, Hungary, Austria, Czech Republic and Slovakia.

55th Reunion May 16-18, 1997

'42 Don "Dutch" Smith, 209 Heron Point, Chestertown, MD 21620 (410) 778-7934 is chair of your Reunion Planning Committee. Please call or write with questions and/or to offer your support.

John A. Harris retired from DuPont in 1982 after 40+ years. Since then, he has exit interviewed construction personnel for safety concerns at a local nuclear power generation plant, worked for H&R Block and, since 1992, has been postmaster relief at a small country post office in Delaware. This year he and Fern celebrated their 50th anniversary by sight-seeing and visiting friends and relatives in France, New Hampshire, Maine, Quebec, Virginia and Tennessee. Except for the arthritis, he is in good health.

Henry F. Maguire, MD reports that his son, Michael, is now practicing pediatric orthopedics in Santa Barbara, CA. Michael started his practice on August 1, 1996.

'43 Dr. Theodore Kurze, Professor, Director of Medical Education and Interim Chair of the Department of Neurological Surgery at the University of California, Irvine Medical Center, has been awarded the Kurt Schürmann Professorship in Neurosurgery at the University of Hannover in Germany. He is only the third physician to receive this honor. Over the past 40 years, he has held many prestigious positions. He was a pioneer in neurosurgical microtechniques, acoustic tumor surgery, cerebral injury research and medical ethics.

'45 Randolph T. Faulkner is a retired printer in Smyrna, DE. He owns a wide collection of pre-computer era printing equipment which he stores and operates out of his backyard garage.

50th Reunion May 16-18, 1997

'47 Edward L. Athey, 7641 Waterview Lane, Chestertown, MD 21620 (410) 778-7239 is chair of your Reunion Planning Committee. Please call or write with questions and/or to offer your support.

James D. Emerson says that he spends all his time in a motorized wheelchair but has recently bought a van with hand controls and wheelchair lift which lets him travel independently around town. He is living in Vero Beach, FL.

Rachel McReynolds Brown continues to teach art (drawing, design and illustration) at Georgia's Savannah College of Art and Design where she is a professor in the Foundation Department. Rachel also writes poetry and recalls so well the sunlit spring days at Washington College and remembers her class sitting under the trees hearing Keats and Shelley read aloud.

'49 C. David Osteen represented Washington College at Ripon College's inauguration of Paul Byers Ranslow on September 29, 1996.

Almost "too busy to work," Graham W. Watt spent seven weeks in Saratov, Russia, assisting local governments prepare charters for the first elections in December 1996. While there, he also lectured in universities, law schools and training institutes about city government in the US and principles of local democracy having application in Russian. Bidi and Graham continued their travel schedule with tours of Ireland in the spring and Graham's safari to Kenya and Tanzania in the fall.

'52 After graduation, James R. Trader briefly taught school in Snow Hill, MD. He began work with the Worcester County Health Department in 1954 and later became director of Environmental Health. He continued in that position until May 1980 and transferred to the State Department of Health and Hygiene, Division of Food Control. He retired in 1994 after 40 years of public service. He is continuing seven years of research on the Trader family in America for future publication. He enjoys golf, swimming, reading and historical research. He is currently president of the Coalition to Protect Maryland Burial Sites, Inc. and is working to preserve cemeteries from destruction throughout Maryland.

'54 Lynn Diana Covington and Charles Covington '56 hosted an alumni, parent and prospective student reception at their home in Avalon, NJ on October 20, 1996.

'55 Al Shockley was elected to the board of directors of Fredericktown Bank & Trust Co. Earlier he was the recipient of the Frederick Memorial Hospital Samaritan of the Year Award. Al is a member of the Hood College Board of Trustees, a director of the Frederick County Historical Society and the Frederick County United Way. He is a member of the Elks, VFW and American Legion and has been recognized as Businessperson of the Year by the Chamber of Commerce of Frederick County and was granted emeritus membership of the Maryland School for the Deaf Board of Visitors.

'56 John K. Daniel writes: "Tired and retired to Myrtle Beach, SC. Our retirement home is built on a lake with a golf course across the way. Only a five-minute drive to the ocean. We love it!"

Robert Shockley and Barbara Dew Shockley have moved to California after living on Maryland's Eastern Shore the last two years. Bob's company needed him on the West Coast! They are excited to be near their sons and son's spouses but they say that they will miss their Maryland friends. They want their friends to know that they will be back. "See you at Reunion!"

40th Reunion May 16-18, 1997

'57 Helen Hull Tyson, 308 Cedar Street, Chestertown, MD 21620 (410) 778-1908 is chair of your Reunion Planning Committee. Please call or write with questions and/or to offer your support.

Louis Borbely will retire in June 1997 after 40 years in the Edison Township, NJ, school system. He will continue to coach football and baseball at Highland Park High School in New Jersey.

F. G. (Jerry) Caporoso is living in Ship Bottom, NJ, where he operates and owns a plastic raw material sales company.

'58 In November 1996, after nearly 36 years, Arnold Sten retired from Lockheed Martin Corporation as an aerospace test engineer. In September 1996, Arnie participated in the National Over-45 Fast Pitch Softball Tournament in Clearwater, FL for Dutch Pines, representing Pennsylvania. A total of 26 teams participated.

'59 Robert A. Bragg of Rocklin, CA, was inducted into the Washington College Athletic Hall of Fame on October 5, 1996. He was honored for soccer, basketball and baseball.

'62 Roland T. "Bucky" Larrimore was inducted into the Washington College Athletic Hall of Fame on October 5, 1996. He was honored for soccer and baseball.

John P. Littlejohn retired in April 1996 from the Central Intelligence Agency after 33 years of service. He was a senior executive with the Agency's Office of Personnel. Since then, he has continued to work part-time as a consultant. He and his wife, Terri, are expecting their first grandchild in March 1997.

'63 Michael Henry retired early from his job as a supervising probation officer in Suffolk County, NY. He has been busier than ever doing scrimshaw and "intarsia" wood carving. His wife, Alice Moreno Henry '66, is also involved in artwork, mostly doing stained glass—from church windows to jewelry boxes. They both exhibit their work at the Island Gallery on Shelter Island, NY. Their daughter, Jenny, graduated from Messiah College in Pennsylvania, with a degree in Fine Arts. Their eldest son, Guy, is a computer programmer in Pennsylvania. Their son, Oliver, and his wife, Diane, had a baby girl, Kateland, in August 1996. Mike and Alice are thrilled to be grandparents.

'64 Norman H. Cohen is a professor at the Community College of Philadelphia, Penn Valley, PA, and had two books published in 1995: *Mentoring Adult Learners: A Guide for Educators and Trainers* (Krieger), and *Mentoring: New Challenges and Visions* (Jossey-Bass).

'65 In March of 1996, Linda Hundevadt Pew was recognized for her service to the

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Births

To J. Barry Cocoziello '70, a son, David Alexander, on January 26, 1996. David joins four-year-old sister, Sierra Nicole.

To Jeanette Bonsack Beard '80 and David Beard, twin boys, Adam Joseph and Andrew David, on June 18, 1996. They join their three-year-old sister, Olivia.

To Anne Kelly Laynor '82 and Jeffrey Laynor, a daughter, Katherine Anne, on August 5, 1996. Katie joins her big sister, Kelly Elizabeth, who is two-and-a-half.

To Yvonne Montanye O'Neill '82 and Tom O'Neill, a son, James Montanye, on May 1, 1996. He joins big brothers, Tommy, 10, John, 8, Joey, 6, and Paul, 3 ½.

To Jennifer Ahonen Phillips '82 and husband Bob, a son, David Alexander (Alex), on February 29, 1996. Alex became an instant star when WBAL Channel 11 news filmed the nursery within hours of his birth. Rumor has it that there is no leap year in the year 2000 — Alex won't celebrate his "real" 1st birthday until he is 8 years old! Alex joins brother, R.J. and sister, Victoria.

To Michele Hartnett Lombardo '83, a son, John William (Jack), on September 6, 1996.

To Timothy McGrath '84 and Anne Marie McGrath, a son, Kevin Michael, on April 22, 1996. He joins brother, Timothy Edwards, 2 ½.

To Andrea Colantti Witt '83 and Michael R. Witt, a daughter, Avery Kay, on July 4, 1996.

To Natalie Brown McKnight '84 and Jamie McKnight '84, a daughter, Annie, on July 18, 1996. Annie joins her 4-year-old sister, Emily.

To Fannie Hobba Shenk '84 and Steve Shenk, a daughter, Madison Leigh Shenk, on October 5, 1996. She joins three-year-old sister, Chastain Anne.

To Michele Lacher Groseclose '85, a son, Zachary Stuart, on May 11, 1996.

To Nimi Natan '85, a son, Benjamin Marshall, on July 1, 1996. Benjamin joins 2 ½ year old brother, Daniel Marshall.

To Andrea Clayville Erving '86 and Scott Erving, a daughter, Emily Virginia, on June 8, 1996. Emily joins four-year-old brother, Austin.

To Duncan B. Wells '86 and Anne Marie Wells, a daughter, Katherine Rebecca, on June 4, 1996.

To Lauren Ebaugh Halterman '87 and Chuck Halterman '89, a son, Riley Scott, on October 9, 1996. Riley joins two-year-old sister, Alexandria.

To John R. Kelly '87 and Tee Kelly, a daughter, Allie, on June 27, 1996. She joins Johnny, 2½, and Hannah, 4.

To Marcia Waynant Patchan '87 and Bob Patchan, a daughter, Julianne Grace, on August 25, 1996. Julie joins three-year-old sister, Katy.

To Jane Gillern Cross '89 and Frederic N. Cross '86, a son, Charles Redmond, on November 3, 1996. Charles joins 2-year-old brother, Samuel Ives.

To Lisa Lambert Felipa '89 and Raul Felipa '89, a son, Raul, on September 29, 1996.

To Jennifer Vaughan Preisch '89 and Rodney Preisch, a daughter, Casie Alexandra, on March, 30, 1995.

To Sheri Christopher Darling '90, a daughter, Lyndsey Diane, on July 16, 1996. Lyndsey joins two-year-old brother, Jacob.

To Robyn Christina Jayne Moore '91 and William R. Moore, a daughter, Kirsten Rene, on October 30, 1996. Kirsten joins two-year-old brother, Taylor.

To Shelly Mangold Gearhart '93 and Brian Gearhart, a son, Charles Graham, on November 6, 1996.

To Donna Harding Simmons '93 and Andrew Simmons, a son, Nathaniel Thomas, on July 19, 1996.

community by Town and Gown, an organization within the University of Redlands, in California. One of ten women representing various categories, Linda was chosen to represent the arts in "A Woman's Place is Everyplace." One of her recently commissioned bronze sculptures was installed at a local church in Redlands.

30th Reunion May 16-18, 1997

'67 Edward M. Athey, 9383 Creek Lane, Chestertown, MD 21620 (410) 778-0166 is chair of your Reunion Planning Committee. Please call or write with questions and/or to offer your support.

'68 Susan Smith O'Connor is currently teaching courses at Villa Julie College in Stevenson, MD. In addition to her job as ARD facilitator in Baltimore County Schools, she has three children.

'69 Steve Amick was made Minority Whip in the Delaware Senate.

Pat Chambers was recently awarded the Medal of Merit by the Rockledge Police Department where he is a police officer in Brevard County, FL. He has been with the department for 5 1/2 years.

Peter W. Brown and his wife, Elaine '71, have lived in Belgium and now in California. Peter reports: "We have lived in California since 1983, which makes us almost natives. I have worked in advertising and public relations since 1972. The best part has been watching and participating in the incredible growth of Silicon Valley. I have worked for startups and old line companies and must say that this is the most fascinating place to be in the world right now. "

Diane Cymbaluk Lantz is a French teacher at Long Branch High School. Her daughter, Kristen, is a sophomore biology major at The College of New Jersey. Her other daughter, Jennifer, is a junior at Freehold High School.

'70 Ginny Colfelt Arthur just finished a year as President of ACOHO-I (Association of College & University Housing Officers - International). She traveled to Austria and Australia, as well as to many regions within the US.

'71 Charles Andrews is continuing as Medical Director of the Kidney Transplant Program in Fort Worth, TX and is practicing nephrology while trying to shepherd his three daughters through the colleges of their choices.

Edward S. Schulman, MD was recently named Associate Chairman of the Department of Medicine, MCP Hahnemann School of Medicine. He remains Chief of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at Hahnemann Hospital and Director of the Allergy and Asthma Center.

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'72 J. Frederick Price, P. O. Box 92, Chestertown, MD 21620 is chair of your Reunion Planning Committee. Please write with questions and/or to offer your support.

Emmy Lou Spamer Swanson has transferred to Los Amigos High School in Fountain Valley, CA, where she continues to teach mathematics. Both children, Amy and Christopher, are in college in California.

'73 Elizabeth "Wizzy" Barrow Harper writes: "Greetings from Auburn University in Alabama! After being a teacher, paralegal and director of a non-profit foundation working with truants in Atlanta, I have found the perfect job for me... Director of Development for the College of Education at Auburn University. I have been in the position since April. Mike '74 and I celebrated our 21st anniversary in June and our son, Jason, left for his junior year of high school in a North Georgia boarding school in September. We were at the Olympics this summer in Atlanta and had a wonderful time. All old friends please call me at Auburn: 334-844-1324 (I promise not to ask for money) or e-mail me at harper@alumni.auburn.edu. And, PLEASE don't ask for Wizzy... I go by my middle name, Gail. Has anyone else heard from John Dimsdale '73 on NPR? And to think we knew him when!"

James G. Pierne was recently elected to the Board of Directors of Farmers and Merchants Bank and Trust in Hagerstown, MD, concurrent with his appointment as Chief Operating Officer.

Thomas E. Washington, Jr. represented Washington College at Neumann College's October inauguration of Dr. Rosalie M. Mirenda.

M'73 P. Donald Parks is in his sixth year as principal of Denton Elementary School in Caroline County, MD.

'74 Al Grzech, DDS is practicing dentistry with Dr. Neil Brayton in Chestertown four days a week. He also has a practice in Pasadena, MD, where he lives.

Michael R. Harper has been with AFLAC, Inc. in Columbus, GA, since 1993. He was recently named Vice President, New Business and Underwriting of Client Services and Administration. He is responsible for AFLAC's new business and underwriting operations and will be involved in new product development. He holds the FLMI (Fellow, Life Management Institute) and CLU (Chartered Life Underwriter) designations. He and Elizabeth "Wizzy" Barrow Harper '73 celebrated their 21st wedding anniversary in June. They have one son, Jason, and live in Columbus, GA. Mike reports that he is still trying to play golf and would like to get back to playing tennis.

Reed Hessler has been a producer announcer for 18 years at Classical WBJC-FM. A twenty-year Baltimore resident, Hessler has also been teaching Asian Film at JHU Homewood for four years. He is married to Baltimore poet Dyane Fancey.

'75 Bryan Matthews was inducted into the Washington College Athletic Hall of Fame on October 5, 1996. He was honored for lacrosse.

Kevin Noblet is worried he's putting down roots. For the first time since childhood he's spent more than three years in one place: Rye, NY, where he and wife, Joan, try to control two kids and the requisite yapping suburban dog. He is still deputy international editor for The Associated Press, helping direct its 93 overseas bureaus. He also co-teaches a course in international reporting at Columbia University's journalism school.

'76 Mary MacNair Merriam is a school-age child care teacher for Fairfax County, VA. She is the mother of two beautiful and intelligent daughters, three uptight, highly arrogant pussycats and two crazy Golden Retrievers. Mary is active in community and church activities including developing, managing and singing in the St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Folk Group, and support for the continued preservation of Mason Neck. Mary and family live on the site of the colonial town of Old Chester, far older, if not more historic than Chestertown. She has a pet eagle named Francis and, during the summer, plays host to the scourge of Northern Virginia gardens, Gomes the tomato-eating gopher.

20th Reunion May 16-18, 1997

'77 Kathleen Jones-Riefe (232 Cannon Street, Chestertown, MD 21620) and Robert Witter (6850 Pomona Road, Chestertown, MD 21620) are chairs of your Reunion Planning Committee. Please write with questions and/or to offer your support.

Diana Duvall Grunow writes: "We moved last fall into a 200-year-old farmhouse in Stamford, CT, that needed a complete renovation. My boys are enjoying fishing in the Mianus River which borders the property and playing with their Labrador Retriever puppies. We now have 3 labs, one of each color—yellow, black and chocolate—and our cat! We have plenty of room for visitors now."

'78 Ann Wilford Causey writes: "We're still in Kennett Square—stop in for some mushrooms! The kids are getting so old so fast, Ross is 13 and Paige is 10. Our life is full of the everyday routines of our own business (landscape design and construction) the kids, etc. I'd love to hear from Jay Cooper, Bill Baldwin, Anne McGlashin, and Alison Bowden."

Deborah Straus Tormey is a technical director of a large nuclear cardiology imaging center and is a mother of three. She recently visited the Washington College campus after 13 years and was surprised to find that professors still remembered her. "Thanks, Dr. Creegan!"

'79 Robert Cooper Lewis has opened a Towson. MD, branch of H. C. Wainwright, an investment banking firm based in Boston, MA.

'81 David J. Panasci, MD has just started his own medical consulting company called, Stymie P.F. Consultants in New York City with business principles largely following those of Paul Derrickson '80. He writes, "My Washington College education is like a gift that keeps on giving!!"

'82 Lizzie Edgeworth spent a weekend with Bitsy Spend Cramer '84, Cathy Leahy Harrison '82, Debbie Kole Schlette '82, and Katie Tynan Cooke '82 in Baltimore, MD. She writes: "It was our annual Washington College women's weekend. I also visited with Jeannie Merrick-Maddux '82 and my godson, Austin Maddux. Austin is Jeannie's youngest son and he's a perfect child!"

'83 Bill Camp and wife, Victoria Kotlinski, reside in Towson, MD, where he is doing personal training. He would love to hear from friends of that "bygone age."

Gerry Smith writes: "I have been living in the Marshall Islands for the last six years and am currently a financial consultant to several different organizations that include the Nuclear Claims Tribunal, a quasi-judicial organization that pays compensation to individuals who were affected by the Nuclear Testing Program in the Marshall Islands. I still windsurf regularly (I have four boards now!), recently bagged a 492 pound Blue Marlin which won the 14th annual Marshall's Billfish Club July Tournament and set a new record. I have been seriously fishing for big game fish for three years and

Marriages

Ellen Corddry Adkins '49 to Thomas Stevens George, Jr., on November 2, 1996 in Salisbury, MD.

Margaret Senate Goldstein '76 to William R. Janney III '76 on December 7, 1996.

Catherine Carrier '82 to Charlie House, on March 16, 1996 at Chapel-by-the-Sea on Clearwater Beach, FL. Margaret Phillips-Hill '81 was a bridesmaid and Becca '82 and Chris Kiefer '81, Susan and Darby Nye, Michael '82 and Rebecca Carpenter all attended. Cat reports that everyone had a great time reminiscing, catching up on the current lives and dancing to all the old favorites. "At the end of the evening we set the dolphin ice sculpture free at the marina on the beach. Typical WC fun!!" The couple continues to reside in Clearwater, FL.

Andrea Colantti '83 to Michael R. Witt, on April 22, 1995 (the 25th Anniversary of Earth Day), on Sugarloaf Mountain in Dickerson, MD.

Laurie Ann Betz '84 to Daniel Tillet, on October 12, 1996. Stephanie Paup '84 was an attendant.

Tom McDonald '89 to Lisbeth Kuss, on September 24, 1996 in Columbus, OH.

Jesse Frances Winston '89 to Gregory L. VanGeison, on November 18, 1995. WC attendees include Lisa Lambert Felipa '89, Kelly Spencer '89 and Robert Morrow '89. The couple resides in Eldersburg, MD.

Elizabeth Cushing Jarrett '90 to Patrick Austin Deasy, on June 1, 1996 in Baltimore, MD. WC bridesmaids were Erin Gillespie Walter '91 and Anne Reilly '90. Other attendees were Kelly Smokovich VanBuren '90, Pete VanBuren '90, Tiffany Bailey '91 and Jennifer Jaeger '92.

Glenn Warner '92 to Mary Melissa DeFiore, on October 14, 1995 in Knoxville, TN. WC alumni in attendance were Stuart Warner '94, Kevin Kelly '92, Deanna Houle Kelly '91, Justine DeSantis Peace '92, and Susan Spedden Eliason '92.

Georgia Lynn Shafer '90 to John Hudson, on June 8, 1996.

Michele Volansky '90 to David Kuntz, on June 15, 1996 in Chicago. IL. WC attendees were Peter Johnson '90 and Cindy Croot '91. Attending the party in New Jersey on July 4, 1996 were Emily '90 and Paul '88 Miller, Jeannine Albert Conover '91, Max Conover '86, Jeannette Smith '90, Peter Johnson '90 and Jennifer Morgan '90.

Matthew Giller '91 to Catherine Vignolo, on October 5, 1996.

Jenifer Blenckstone '92 to Gillet Boyce, her high school sweetheart, on September 21, 1996. Laura Hammond '93 was her maid of honor.

Kristy Hilgartner '92 to Daniel Cummings, on July 20, 1996 in Baltimore, MD. Deborah Boyer '92 was a bridesmaid. Other alumni in attendence were Jamee Damron '93, Margaret Doyle '92, Karen Brady Graham '92, Christian Graham '94, Jennifer Jaeger '92, Susan Rosasco Givins '92 and Elizabeth Knieriem '92.

David Slomkowski '92 to Jania Stout, on October 19, 1996.

Elizabeth M. Carone '93 to Timothy Ward Peters '95, on August 3, 1996. Honored attendants were Suzanne Fischer '95, Conci

have caught or tagged and released 26 billfish."

Andrea Colantti Witt is working as the Attorney Recruitment Manager at Arnold & Porter, one of the largest firms in Washington, DC. She was married to Michael R. Witt on Sugarloaf Mountain in Dickerson, MD in April 1995. (See Marriages)

'84 Hugh A. Collie has been a technical recruiter for seven years and has recently started up his own recruiting company called Careers International Technical Services. If you wish to hire information systems professionals or are seeking a new opportunity in the Baltimore/Washington, DC area, give him a call (410) 296-4490. He'd love to help out a fellow alum.

Anne Bailey Farwell and husband, John, have two children — Ben, four and Mary, two. Anne is working for *Tidewater Times* magazine as Editor and General Manager.

Laurie Betz Tillet is a marketing consultant in Baltimore and Washington.

'85 Nimi Natan is now with the New York-based leveraged buyouts firm, Ardshiel, Inc. He commutes from New Hope, PA, to the New York office and to portfolio companies around the globe.

'86 Joan Miller Burke writes: "My husband and I relocated to Richmond, VA, last year. I enjoy being a stay-at-home mom for my two children, Kaitlin Elizabeth, 3, and Ian Andrew, 1, but also do some human factors consulting work from home. I am currently involved in a software project in which I will produce study aids for law students. As part of the development team, I conduct usability studies to help determine the human interface for the products. I ran into Paula Miller '86 at a minor league baseball game in Salisbury, MD, this summer. We exchanged e-mail addresses, but I misplaced hers. So, Paula, if you read this, my e-mail is jburke@erols.com. I'd love to hear from other classmates '86 and '87, too."

Karen Durm Owen reports that after teaching English for four years at Anne Arundel County Public Schools, she returned to school herself and received her certification in Physical Education. She is currently teaching Physical Education at Magothy River Middle School. She and husband, Pat, are expecting their first baby in March.

Mike Prendeville is residing in Bethlehem, PA, with his wife, Dawn, and two children. He will be celebrating his 10th anniversary with Dun & Bradstreet where he is currently Project Coordinator. He is enrolled in an MBA program at Allentown College, St. Francis DeSales. Mike recently sponsored a Washington College junior, Jennifer Sands, in a summer internship. He found the experience to be rewarding and says, "Washington College continues to produce logical, self thinkers."

Pope '93 and Terence McCabe '93.

Dave Taibl '93 to Lori Voerman, on October 5, 1996 at the historic St. Mary's Church in Fairfax Station, VA. WC alumni in attendance: Heath Bethune '90, John Kelly '92, Chris Vaughn '93, Lizzy O'Hara '93, Bethany Wilson '93, Kelle '93 and Chris '94 Sanchez, Andy Manos '94, groomsman Ted Greeley '93, best man Andy Taibl '98 and WC assistant dean Beverly Wolff.

Doug Hoffberger '94 to Catherine van Ogtrop, on June 9, 1996. Catherine is the sister of Andrew van Ogtrop '97.

Josh Obercian '94 to Christine Johnson, on September 21, 1996.

Kouri Coleman '96 to Gregory Miller '95, on September 28, 1996, in Rock Hall, MD. WC honor attendants and readers: Jerry Davis '95, Suzanne Fischer '95, Courtney Myers '96 and Heather Murray '97.

TOP RIGHT: *Karen Walker '96 to Kevin Roland '96, on September 7, 1996. Honored attendents were Ann-Marie Malena '96, Charlee Darby '96, Mary Jefferson '96 and Tom McLemore '96.*

BOTTOM RIGHT: *Theresa Sganga '92 to Andrew Vaccaro, on January 13, 1996. WC alumni in attendance were Laura McCullan '92, William Halagarda, Jr. '92 and Jennifer Sloan '93. The wedding was held at the Basilica of the Assumption in downtown Baltimore.*

Duncan B. Wells and wife, Anne Marie, are still living on Maryland's Eastern Shore in Pocomoke City where he has a growing solo dental practice and she is staying at home to take care of Katherine. (See Births)

10th Reunion May 16-18, 1997

'87 Irene Nicolaidis, 11905 Greenspring Avenue, Owings Mills, MD 21117 is chair of your Reunion Planning Committee. Please write with questions and/or to offer your support.

Beth Wolf Brewster and Scott Brewster '85 report that they and their three dogs, Jessie, Jasper and Madison, are doing great. They both started new careers in November. Beth is an account manager for MidAtlantic Coke in Havre de Grace, MD, and Scott is a regional account manager at Agouron Pharmaceuticals, covering five states in the MidAtlantic region. They ask, "Pat King, where are you? Call us — (410) 719-6111."

'89 Debbie Nahmias Dauer writes: "After receiving my MAT in Elementary Education in 1992, I found my place teaching nursery school in New Jersey. My liberal arts education, especially my work in the drama department, has given me the tools I need to challenge even the youngest of students (three and four years old). After meeting Adam Dauer through a Valentine's Day radio contest in 1991, we married Independence Day weekend of 1994. We are proud 'parents' of a bulldog named Smudge and a beagle named Alex. Adam and the 'girls' and I recently moved into our new home in Lawrenceville, NJ. I would love to hear from long-lost theater department friends as well as ZTA sisters. You can write me at 2815 Princeton Pike, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648 or e-mail me at BBFDEB@aol.com."

Raul F. Felipa received his Master's of Business Administration degree on May 24, 1996 from the San Jose State University's College of Business.

Tom McDonald was married to Lisbeth Kuss in September 1996. The couple lives in Greenwich, CT. (See Marriages) Tom is still working as a junior consultant at Jaakko Poyry Consulting.

'90 Michael Sell has had some success on Seattle stages, and has changed his name to Michael McCabe. He is currently in a production of "The Heidi Chronicles" by Wendy Wasserstein, and is branching out into film work. He is still supporting himself in the real world by working for MidCom Communications as an analyst and coordinator for their long distance and data phone line business services.

'91 Ed Maxcy, Associate Dean of Students at Washington College, reports that Brooks Durkee rode a horse to victory at

the September 29, 1996 running of the Foxfield Races in Charlottesville, VA. By National Steeplechase Standings, Brooks is one of the top ten winning jockeys.

Susan Pascale graduated from Hofstra University School of Law in May 1996. She is an associate with Westermann & Tryon in Garden City, NY where she practices commercial litigation and construction law.

Blaine Simpson has started his own Internet-related company, Heorot Systems, Inc. in Baltimore. It's homepage is http://www.heorotsi.com

5th Reunion May 16-18, 1997

'92 Colleen Blenckstone, 10262 John Carvill Road, Chestertown, MD 21620 (410) 778-2935 is chair of your Reunion Planning Committee. Please call or write with questions and/or to offer your support.

Kate Absher finished her history thesis, required for her M.A. in history from Ohio University. She is now working for the Library of Congress and doing a second graduate degree in library science at the Catholic University. She recently ran into Lyn Rahilly, who is also in Washington, DC, working as a lawyer for the Department of Labor.

Jenifer Blenckstone is a US History teacher at the Institute of Notre Dame in Baltimore City. She completed her Master's in Education degree from Johns Hopkins University this past September and will graduate in May 1997. She was married in September. (See Marriages)

James Luff was hired by Greenhorne & O'Mara, Inc. as Department Head of Surveying in Annapolis, MD. He was previously self-employed as a Registered Land Surveyor from 1991-1996. He also served as Kent County (MD) Branch Manager to the Regional Vice President and the President of a Maryland-based land surveying/civil engineering firm and was a member of the Corporate Board of Directors at this firm.

Gilbert McMahon Orser moved back to San Francisco, having spent the past year researching and diving for medicinal coral in the South Pacific.

George G. Phillips is living in Kansas City and finishing his third year with the Coca-Cola Company. "If anyone from WC is in the area, let's get together."

Deidre A. Riegel has been hired by St. Mary-of-the-Woods College in Indiana as technical director of the Performing and Visual Arts Department. Previously, she was the technical director for The Hill School in Pennsylvania.

David Slomkowski was married in October 1996 and is an account manager for Pepsi Cola in Baltimore, MD. (See Marriages)

Glenn Warner writes: "I love the WC web site. I am married and bought a house in Littleton, CO, and am currently working on an Internet project for US West. I just started graduate school for a degree in Computer Information Systems. Kevin "Sparky" Kelly '92, Stuart Warner '94, Justine DeSantis Peace '92 and Susan Spedden Eliason '91 were at my wedding in Knoxville in October 1995. I am still very interested in getting an alumni chapter started in Colorado!"

Theresa Sganga-Vaccaro and her husband, Andrew, are residing in Hampstead, MD. She is an eighth grade mathematics teacher for Baltimore County Public Schools at Franklin Middle. Andrew is a Baltimore County Police Officer.

'93 Joe Boan is engaged to Pam Hendrickson '94. Joe is employed by the First National Bank of Maryland.

Traci Castello is a guidance counselor at Rock Hall Elementary School in Rock Hall, MD. She recently completed her master's degree in education at Wilmington College. She is engaged to be married to Jeff Stanley, who is in the US Air Forces. They are planning an October 1997 wedding.

Christy Harris says hello to all her Zeta buddies! She is living in Easton, MD, and asks anyone to give her a buzz if they are in the area. She is still working in the insurance field and just completed the MBA degree in May from Salisbury State University. She would particularly like to hear from far away Zetas!

Ronald E. Jayne, Jr. has been licensed as a Certified Public Accountant and will continue his association with the firm, Randall Cooper & Co., CPAs in Chestertown, MD.

Miriam Jecelin is a student at the University of Maryland Medical School. She was married last April to P. J. Mullen '94. P. J. works for State Farm Insurance in Annapolis, MD. They recently purchased a home in Owings Mills, MD.

Dennis Kelleher graduated from Widener School of Law and passed the NC State Bar. He is currently seeking a position.

In August 1996 Elizabeth O'Hara traveled to Taiwan to meet with Taiwanese Foreign Ministry and Defense Department with other congressional staff. She visited Hong Kong on her own after the Taiwan visit.

Elizabeth Carone Peters and Tim Peters '95 are living in Glen Cove, NY. Liz is teaching kindergarten at Friends Academy and is completing a master's degree in education at the Bank Street School in New York City. Tim is employed by the CIT Group in New York City. (See Marriages)

Eleanor Shriver is back in Baltimore! She is an assistant women's lacrosse coach for nationally ranked Loyola College.

Jennifer Sloan is engaged to William Stewart DiPaula. Jen is a social studies teacher at Towson (MD) Catholic HS.

'94 Andrew Evans is now in Fort Meyers, FL. He is still employed with Schulman, Ronca & Bucuvalas, Inc.

Pam Hendrickson is engaged to Joe Boan '93. Pam is employed at Kutztown University as an assistant men's and women's tennis coach and as a graduate assistant. She is completing her master's degree in secondary counseling at Kutztown.

Kathryn Mullan writes: "After completing my master's degree in May, I am working in Michigan at the home/center of the late writer and great historian, Dr. Russell Kirk. I am assisting with the editing and publishing of a small quarterly magazine and the promotion of Dr. Kirk's works and thought. I hope to move to Colorado this spring to help an American journalist write and edit a book."

Karen Scott is teaching high school English in Queen Anne's County, coaching women's soccer and women's lacrosse and advising the school's newspaper.

'95 William Evans Bloom moved to Maine as a manager for MBNA America, working at their New England site. He is looking forward to skiing again.

Cheryl Bull and Scott Overend '93 are engaged and planning to marry in March of 1997. Cheryl is a staffing director for American Pool Management of Owings Mills, MD. Scott works for AT&T of Lithicum, MD, as an account consultant. Cheryl and Scott plan to reside in the Baltimore County area after their March wedding.

Alicia Carberry has recently moved from Annapolis, MD, to Arlington, VA. She is employed as a Sales Administrative Assistant at Legend/Kingstone in Bethesda, MD.

Tony Higgins is living in McLean, VA, and working for a research company, New World Ventures. He had his first anniversary with the company in September 1996. His address is 1109 Wimbledon Drive, McLean, VA 22101, (703) 356-6415.

1st Reunion May 16-18, 1997

'96 Elizabeth Likens (4708 Bradley Boulevard, #107, Chevy Chase, MD 20815) and Amy Tingle (4708 Bradley Boulevard, #107, Chevy Chase, MD 20815) (301) 652-7608 are chairs of your Reunion Planning Committee. Please call or write with questions and/or to offer your support.

Lisa Athey moved to Annapolis, MD, and is working for Aerotek's Maxim Group in Hanover, MD.

After serving an internship during her senior year, Krissie Callahan landed a full-time position as assistant in the College Relations Office at Washington College. She volunteers with a Brownie troop in Chestertown.

Scott Culpepper was featured in and wrote an article for the Chesapeake Bay Foundation's *Save the Bay* quarterly newsletter. Scott assisted CBF's fisheries program this summer.

Scott Steinmuller is the assistant swim coach at Hartwick College in Oneonta, NY.

Christian S. Thornton is working in Richmond, VA, for Net Improvement, an internet company that specializes in web site programming.

Nicole Zemanski is engaged to be married June 21, 1997 to Chris Moran, a student at the University of Maryland Medical School in Baltimore. Nicole is pursuing a degree in psychology at Loyola College of Maryland and is working for Johns Hopkins Medical Center.

In Memorium

Mary E. Starkey '26 died on August 7, 1996 in Chestertown. She worked for Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Kent County for 50 years until retiring in 1971. She also worked for Kent Savings and Loan as an assistant secretary-treasurer for 30 years, retiring in 1974. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church, where she sang in the choir. She is survived by a niece and two nephews.

Bernard Dubin '31 died on October 10, 1996 after a long illness. "Justice" was elected to State Supreme Court in 1969, where he served until retiring in 1984. He received his law degree from George Washington University before beginning his law career in Queens, NY. He was named director of the US Census Bureau in Queens in 1950 and joined the Queens District Attorney's Office where he organized the Racket Bureau and served as its first chief. Justice was elected to the NY State Assembly in 1954 and became a city magistrate in 1958 before being appointed as judge of the Criminal Court, where he served until his election to State Supreme Court. He received the Alumni Citation Award at Commencement in 1971. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Bessie Moskoff Dubin, and two daughters.

Walter W. Claggett '40 died on September 21, 1996. Described as a soft-spoken country lawyer known for his sense of humor, he spent his legal career in his native town of Easton, MD, working out of the same office for more than 50 years. His specialty was condemnation work and he spent decades as a state lawyer obtaining land for Maryland road projects. He was interested in politics and served on the local Democratic Central Committee and was chairman of the Easton zoning appeals board from 1987 to 1995.

Wilson L. Riedy '42 died on August 31, 1996 in Philadelphia, PA. Riedy was a US Army Air Corps veteran of WWII and flew 58 missions with the Martin B-26 and was a waist gunner and aerial photographer. He was a teacher in both Chestertown and later in Bucks County, PA, in the Council Rock School district. He retired in 1981. His interests included photography, camping, sports and genealogy. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Gloria Riedy, and two sons and a daughter.

Robert R. Hill II '43 of Cucamonga, CA, died on October 3, 1996. He was a first lieutenant in the US Marine Corps serving in the South Pacific during WWII. He moved to California in 1960 where he worked as a publisher for 30 years. He is survived by his mother, his wife, Rosemary Hill, two sons and two daughters.

Maurice H. Stromberg '47 died on August 29, 1994.

Tillman J. Gressitt '49 died suddenly on December 2, 1996 of a heart attack.

B. V. Bystrom '50 died of cancer on July 20, 1996. His career in the trucking industry began with the DuPont company. He transferred to Los Angeles in 1960 where he was in the distribution operations office. He worked his way up to Distribution Manager of the 130,000 square-foot facility. He transferred the company's center to Brisbane, CA, in 1973 before returning to Los Angeles to eventually become West Coast Senior Coordinator. He retired from DuPont in 1982. He was very active in the company and at CTA as a political advocate. He also served as a Metropolitan Planning Organization advocate, as a mentor at the Pacific Rim Academy and as a volunteer at student career fairs. In his community of Huntington Beach, he was active in PTA, Boy Scouts of America, Masons and his church. He is survived by his wife, Patricia Schafer, and two sons.

William M. Reed '51 died of cancer on January 24, 1996. He was a dentist in Dover, DE, from 1956 until his retirement in 1988. His interests included showing and raising Yorkshire Terriers and playing duplicate bridge. He was an avid supporter of the bridge clubs in lower Delaware and played in many sectional, regional and national tournaments on the East Coast. He earned the ranking of Life Master in 1994. He is survived by four sisters-in-law, two nephews and two nieces.

Joyce E. Poetzl '60 died of pancreatic cancer on June 8, 1996 at her home in Alexandria, VA. She was a senior export licensing officer for McDonnell Douglas in Crystal City. Her survivors include her father, Frank Poetzl of Franklin Square, NY, and a sister, Rhoda Billingsley of Rome. On October 12, 1996 a living gift of a magnolia tree was planted in loving memory of Joyce Ellen Poetzl on Washington College's campus. (See story on page 16.)

Christopher W. Hummel '88 died on November 2, 1996 in Columbia, SC. He was employed by the FBI in Washington, DC, by Bennigan's Restaurant at Boca Raton, FL and recently with the KwikSet Corp. in Columbia, SC. He is survived by his parents and four brothers.

CURRENTS

My Belated Love Song for J. Alfred Prufrock

by Jennifer Waldych '96

I kept a secret at Washington College, the secret of a rebel English major with a concentration in 20th century poetry. Professor Bob Day was my adviser and I took nearly all of the classes he offered. Now Professor Day is something of a character with many strange and curious quirks, but one of them is that he happens to refer to "The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock" often when he teaches. This is important to my confession.

I would say that I am a good student. I really love poetry and I liked going to class. Furthermore, I admire Professor Day. But as much as I wanted to learn, something about his evocation of J. Alfred Prufrock irritated me. Sometimes in classes there would come the phrase, "like in Eliot's Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock...", or in more excited moments, "just as in Prufrock, when Eliot managed to..." And so I decided, in my stubbornness, that I was going to dare not to read "The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock." I was somehow going to see if I could make it through my entire college career with this man as my adviser without reading this reference of all poetry references. I was going to answer Professor Day's questions when he asked them, and I was going to refer to Prufrock in essays. I would do all of these things without having read the poem and without being caught.

Throughout four years, this insane, neurotic game continued. Professor Day would mention Prufrock and I would nod at Prufrock and escape uncaught, waiting for the day when he would nail me in front of the class, or maybe pull me aside privately. Oh, I could see it clearly. Professor Day would take back the Broken Chalk Award I got my freshman year for knowing the difference between lyric and narrative poetry. I'd lose the Ugly Cufflink Award I got from him my junior year for reciting an example of both classic and romantic poetry. I'd never see the coveted Ugly Tie Award for superb literary insight.

Once, my senior year, we all got to class only to have Professor Day herd us out of the building. We were going on a walking tour of Chestertown. He told us that there was a terrific literary history at Washington College that we were not learning in the classroom. "Let us go then, you and I..." and so we started the tour.

In an hour and a half I was lulled into a sense of security. There was mention of Ginsberg and Orlofsky, James Dickey, but no Prufrock. Did you know, said Professor Day, that in December of 1978 Allen Ginsberg got a group of students together to try to levitate Bunting Hall by chanting? Did you know that when James Dickey visited in 1971 he terrorized the maids in the alumni house so thoroughly that they refused to return during his stay? He also drank gin at 8 in the morning, telling our teacher: "It catches your liver unaware." Katherine Anne Porter has been on campus. Three Nobel Prize winners — Joseph Brodsky, James Walcott, and Toni Morrison — have visited. He showed us the history of a place that has seen great poets and novelists and prophets of sorts. I felt small in their greatness.

At the end of the year, I still had not been called on my coup. And I was mad. Sickened. Truly upset that throughout my four years of close mentoring my cover had not been blown. How was this possible?? How is it that I managed to get through all of college without being made to read the great T.S. Eliot's "The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock?" How could my esteemed professor not know it? What other great gaps in my knowledge would be permitted?

Recently, when the *Pegasus* came in the mail, and reminded me of my four years at Washington College, I remembered what Professor Day told us in the first class I took with him my freshman year. "Washington College cannot complete your education. But Washington College can start you down the road toward what the poet John Milton called 'a generous education.' How far you go along that road is up to you."

I see now— having finally read "The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock"—that I didn't "get away" with not reading the poem. As a student I had at times been asking, "Do I dare/ Disturb the universe?" I allowed myself to feel small and fall silent in the presence of Washington College's remarkable literary history. I became my own Prufrock, walking passively through my education. But now I've read my Eliot, and for you, Professor Day, here—at last— is an essay on "The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock." I understand that it's late, but I dare you to grade it down.

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College Events

February 9
Civil War Music, a lecture by Professor Garry Clarke with a performance by the Early Music Consort. NJT, 3:00 p.m.

February 19
National Capital Area Alumni Chapter Happy Hour, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., Pizzeria Uno & Bar, 3501 Connecticut Ave. N.W., Washington, DC.

February 26
WC Lacrosse vs. Navy, 7:30 p.m., Annapolis Alumni Chapter pre-game Happy Hour at McGarvey's Saloon, Dock Street, Annapolis at 5:30. For info, call the Alumni Office.

March 16
WC Lacrosse vs. Denison at McDonogh School, Baltimore, game at 12 noon. Alumni/Parent post-LAX reception. For info call the Alumni Office.

March 17
Washington College Concert Series presents the American Boychoir, Tawes Theatre, 8:00 p.m. Tickets available at the door.

March 19
National Capital Area Alumni Chapter Happy Hour, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., Pizzeria Uno & Bar, 3501 Connecticut Ave. N.W., Washington, DC.

April 4
The Washington College Community Chorus' spring concert "Brahms to Broadway," Tawes Theatre, Gibson Performing Arts Center, at 8:00 p.m.

April 5
Caspersen Cup Crew Races — WC vs. Johns Hopkins University and St. Johns College, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. Kent and Queen Anne's Alumni Chapter will host a reception at the Lelia Hynson Boating Pavilion.

April 9
Washington College Concert Series presents Amernet String Quartet, Tawes Theatre, 8:00 p.m. Tickets available at the door.

April 16
National Capital Area Alumni Chapter Happy Hour, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., Pizzeria Uno, 3501 Connecticut Ave. N.W., Washington, DC.

April 19
WC Lacrosse vs. Salisbury State, 1:30 p.m. Mardel Alumni Chapter hosts post- game reception. Call the Alumni Office for more information.

April 25
Student Art Show Opening, Constance Stuart Larrabee Arts Center.

April 26
Alumni Council Meeting, 10:00 a.m. Dedication of Daly Hall, 1:00 p.m.

April 28
Baltimore Alumni Chapter Scholarship Golf Tournament, Wakefield Valley Golf Club, 11:00 a.m. For more information please call the Alumni Office.

May 16 - 18
1997 REUNION! All classes welcome. Special recognition to the 60th, 50th, 40th, 30th, 25th, 20th, 10th and 1st year classes. Look for a full schedule of activities in the mail.

May 18
215th Commencement, Campus Lawn, 10:30 a.m.

February 22, Washington's Birthday Weekend

Alumni Council meeting, Sophie Kerr Room, Miller Library, 10:00 a.m.
Alumni Service Luncheon, Hynson Lounge, 12:00 noon.
Birthday Convocation, Tawes Theatre, Gibson Fine Arts Center, 2:00 p.m. Guest speaker is Jane Alexander, chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts. Artist Jamie Wyeth is receiving the Award for Excellence.
Dedication of Rowing Shells in honor of Douglass and Libby Cater, during halftime at the basketball game against Western Maryland. Game starts at 3:30 in Cain Gymnasium.
"Hooray for Hollywood," the 1997 George Washington's Birthday Ball, Johnson Lifetime Fitness Center, 8 p.m.

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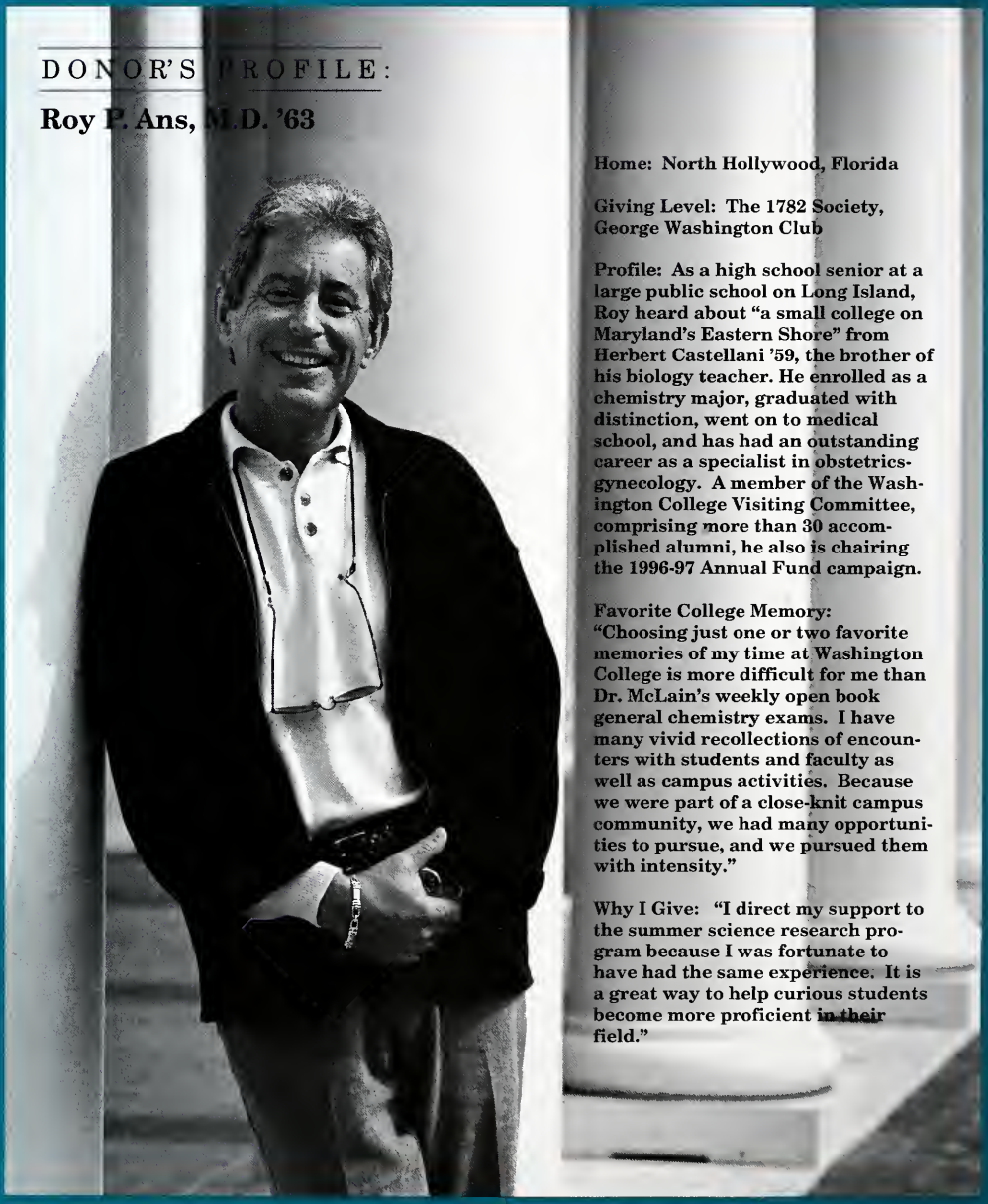

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Profile: As a high school senior at a large public school on Long Island, Roy heard about "a small college on Maryland's Eastern Shore" from Herbert Castellani '59, the brother of his biology teacher. He enrolled as a chemistry major, graduated with distinction, went on to medical school, and has had an outstanding career as a specialist in obstetrics-gynecology. A member of the Washington College Visiting Committee, comprising more than 30 accomplished alumni, he also is chairing the 1996-97 Annual Fund campaign.

Favorite College Memory: "Choosing just one or two favorite memories of my time at Washington College is more difficult for me than Dr. McLain's weekly open book general chemistry exams. I have many vivid recollections of encounters with students and faculty as well as campus activities. Because we were part of a close-knit campus community, we had many opportunities to pursue, and we pursued them with intensity."

Why I Give: "I direct my support to the summer science research program because I was fortunate to have had the same experience. It is a great way to help curious students become more proficient in their field."

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